

**Principles of Psychology**  
**PSY 1010 - 903 Fall 2012**  
**Online**

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**Required Text and Access:**

- Instant Access for Aplia: Weiten, Wayne. (2010). *Psychology: Themes and Variations* (8<sup>th</sup> ed.). Instructions for purchasing this are on Blackboard in the Start Here link.

## Websites and Hardware/Software Requirements

This course requires the use of a computer with an internet connection. If your personal computer fails, remember that you can use another computer. Computers are available across campus and can also be found in many public libraries.

**Blackboard.** Your starting point for your online course is Blackboard. You can find instructions on purchasing access to Anlia, this syllabus and all of the

course tasks on Blackboard. To go directly to blackboard, go to: <http://blackboard.utdl.edu/> and enter your UTAD username and password, which is the username and password that you use for MyUT.

This course is designed for students who have used Blackboard in the past.

## Graded Portions of the Course

*The graded portions of this course are on two websites. A master checklist for each Chapter is available on Blackboard. I recommend that you start each week by going to Blackboard first. The following descriptions and instructions describe*

*each graded portion of the course that you will find on Blackboard and Aplia.*

**Readings.** Most of your work will be reading the e-text on the Aplia website, and this directly affects your performance on the graded assignments and exams.

You may take each Aplia question three times. Your first attempt counts! If you score better on the second and third attempts, Aplia averages your grade. You

cannot get a lower grade if you try again. **Take all three versions of questions to help you study.** Please use a calendar to schedule your work. The checklists

on [redacted] 11:00 p.m. except for the first assignment, which is due Thursday.

help the rest of the class, I post the question and my answer in the discussion

boards. These are our main area for interacting with one another as I want you to

I strongly advise you to use the discussion boards to ask questions about the chapters, Aplia questions, or about how the topics for the week apply in your life.

course. I strongly recommend that you set aside time as you would for attending a lecture-based course. Keeping a schedule will help you manage the tasks, pace your learning, and help you retain the most information from your experience.

**Academic Integrity.** Individual assignments should reflect your personal abilities, competencies, and efforts. Cheating (using or attempting to use unauthorized materials in an academic exercise), fabrication (falsifying or inventing information), facilitating academic dishonesty (helping or attempting to help another commit an act of academic dishonesty), and plagiarism (representing the words or ideas of another as your own) will not be tolerated. Read UT's policy on [academic integrity](#) for further information. Please complete all work as instructed.

## Course Schedule

There is a link on Blackboard for each exam's materials. You will find these to the left of the screen, in the course menu. If the course menu is not visible, click the small arrow in the center of the screen on the left. The link for each exam's materials includes a detailed schedule at the top of the page and folders for each chapter. Each chapter folder has checklists, notes, and other materials to help you through the week. Some of these are the extra credit assignments. Additionally, when you log into Apla, the home page shows each week's readings and

assignments. Below is an overview of the semester's schedule.

Date			Topic	Readings	Aplia & Discussion	Week Exam Is Available and the Due Date for Exam
Week 1	Jan	7 10	Introduction &	Syllabus	Intro due	
		11	Evolution & Development	Ch. 1	Ch. 1	