**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**PSY201 - GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY**

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**CRN #21285**

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Class Meetings: Thursdays 1-2:50pm in NSH 206

**Required Materials**

Required Text – David G. Myers; C. Nathan DeWall, Psychology in Everyday Life 6th ed., ISBN 9781319447151

Achieve supplemental website also required

**Prerequisites**

There are no required prerequisites for this course. However, this course does require college-level writing and reading skills. Your placement at or above the following courses is ***strongly recommended*** for success in this course:

* Reading 120
* Writing 115

**Course Description**

PSY201 - General Psychology is an introduction to several of the different sub-fields and methods of study in psychology. You should leave this course with an understanding of the biological and cognitive aspects of psychology including: history, methodology, biological foundations of behavior, human development, sensation, perception, learning, memory, language and problem-solving.

**Course Learning Outcomes**

As a result of successfully completing this course, you will be able to:

* Describe major facts and theories from the domain of psychology.
* Recognize and articulate the interplay between social, psychological

and biological forces.

* Apply relevant psychological phenomena to everyday relationships and

situations.

* Combine and synthesize psychological concepts and theories to draw

reasonable conclusions, develop intelligent skepticism, and critically

analyze information.

**Course Requirements**

How This Class is Structured

This course has a hybrid delivery mode. We will meet as a class one time per week, with the remaining work done online at the time of your choosing each week.

This is a Web Assisted class, with a Moodle Online Home Page and an interactive e-book through Achieve Read and Practice. The Moodle companion site will be used to turn in discussions and assignments (https://moodle.linnbenton.edu). Reading and Chapter Quizzes will be done through the Achieve Read and Practice website.

*Attendance:* Your attendance and participation is required in class every week.

*Assignments:* You will have various assignments to work on outside of class.

*Research Consumer Paper*: You will write a research consumer paper as your “midterm.” Instructions will be provided in Moodle.

Discussions: You will engage in weekly discussions with your classmates throughout the term. You will write an initial post and provide meaningful replies to two of your classmates.

*Final Paper:* You will write a comprehensive final paper to demonstrate your learning of class concepts. Instructions will be provided in Moodle.

*Quizzes:* You will complete untimed quizzes for each chapter. The quizzes are not complete until you reach a specified point value. **Quizzes will be taken online at the Achieve site for this course.**

Grading System

Your course grade is determined by the quantity of work you submit that is of an acceptable

quality. All assignments are graded on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis. Rubrics are provided

that clearly define the quality of work required to achieve a satisfactory rating. If you do not meet

the expectations set forth for a given assignment, then you will receive no points on that

assignment but can redeem a token (see below) for an opportunity to revise and resubmit it for

credit.

You will receive the grade that is associated with the “bundle” that you meet the criteria for. The

bundle that you complete is up to you, however as the grades increase, so does the cognitive

demand and the time necessary to complete the bundle.

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| To earn a(n): |  |
| A | * Complete 18/20 chapter quizzes * Attend at least 9 classes * Complete 8/9 discussion posts with a satisfactory grade * Complete the midterm paper with a satisfactory grade * Complete the final paper with a satisfactory grade |
| B | * Complete 18/20 chapter quizzes * Attend at least 8 classes * Complete 8/9 discussion posts with a satisfactory grade * Complete the final paper with a satisfactory grade |
| C | * Complete 18/20 chapter quizzes * Attend at least 7 classes * Complete 8/9 discussion posts with a satisfactory grade |
| D | * Complete 18/20 chapter quizzes * Attend at least 6 classes |
| F | * A grade of “F” is given if the requirements for a “D” are not met |

Please note that ALL requirements for a grade must be met to earn the listed grade.

Token System

Tokens are a “currency” in the course that you can use to purchase exceptions to the course rules. Each student begins the course with three tokens, and tokens can purchase any of the

following:

• An extra week to submit an assignment (request must be made before due date)

• An excused absence from class (request must be made before absence)

• A chance to revise and resubmit an assignment that did not receive a passing grade (revision due within 48 hours of receipt of grade)

Opportunities to earn more tokens will be made available throughout the term.

**Class Policies**

*Cheating/Plagiarism*: Do your own work! Using someone else’s work as your own or using information or ideas without proper citation (which is called plagiarism) can lead to your failing the assignment, test or class. Bibliographies andin-text citations are required whenever you use outside sources, including internet sources(unless otherwise indicated by me).

*Policy on AI Tools:*

All work you submit for this course toward completion of course requirements must be your own original work done specifically for this course and without substantive assistance from others, including artificial intelligence systems (e.g., ChatGPT). Students who use AI software to compose assignments will face disciplinary action.

*Drop Policy*: If you wish to drop this course for a full refund and without it appearing on your transcript, you must do so by **October 2nd.** The last day to officially withdraw from this course (a ‘W’ appears on the transcript) is **November 12th.**

*Incomplete Grades:* You may be eligible for an ‘Incomplete’ grade if you have finished 90% of the class work. If you have an ‘Incomplete,’ all coursework must be finished by the end of the next term. I can only award an ‘A’, ‘B’, ‘C’, ‘D’, or ‘F’ grade. You must contact me before the end of the term with proper documentation to receive an Incomplete.

*Changes to the Syllabus*

I reserve the right to change the contents of this syllabus due to unforeseen circumstances. You will be given notice of relevant changes in class, through a Moodle Announcement, or through LBCC e-mail.

**College Policies**

## *LBCC Email and Course Communications*

You are responsible for all communications sent via Moodle and to your LBCC email account. You are required to use your LBCC provided email account for all email communications at the College. You may access your LBCC student email account through Student Email and your Moodle account through Moodle.

*Students with Disabilities:* LBCC is committed to inclusiveness and equal access to higher education. If you have approved accommodations through the Center for Accessibility Resources (CFAR) and would like to use your accommodations in the class, please talk to your instructor as soon as possible to discuss your needs. If you believe you may need accommodations but are not yet registered with CFAR, please visit the CFAR Website for steps on how to apply for services or call 541-917-4789.

## *Statement of Inclusion*

To promote academic excellence and learning environments that encourage multiple perspectives and the free exchange of ideas, all courses at LBCC will provide students the opportunity to interact with values, opinions, and/or beliefs different than their own in a safe, positive and nurturing learning environments. LBCC is committed to producing culturally literate individuals capable of interacting, collaborating and problem-solving in an ever-changing community and diverse workforce.

## *Title IX Reporting Policy*

## If you or another student are the victim of any form of sexual misconduct (including dating/domestic violence, stalking, sexual harassment), or any form of gender discrimination, LBCC can assist you. You can [report](https://linnbenton-advocate.symplicity.com/public_report/index.php/pid073717?) a violation of our sexual misconduct policy directly to our Title IX Coordinator. You may also report the issue to a faculty member, who is required to notify the Coordinator, or you may make an appointment to speak confidentially to our Advising and Career Center by calling 541-917-4780.

## *Public Safety/Campus Security/*[*Emergency Resources*](http://www.linnbenton.edu/public-safety-emergency-planning)*:*

In an emergency, call 911. Also, call LBCC Campus Security/Public Safety at 541-926-6855 and 541-917-4440.

From any LBCC phone, you may alternatively dial extension 411 or 4440. LBCC has a [public safety app](http://lbccpublicsafety.mobapp.at/landing/Desktop) available for free. We encourage people to download it to their cell phones. Public

Safety also is the home for LBCC's Lost & Found. They provide escorts for safety when needed. Visit them to learn more.