



B.E. International Program

Faculty of Economics, Thammasat University



Course Outline

PY 211 General Psychology

Semester 1/2013 (August 13 – November 30, 2013)

Number of credits:	3 credits
Lecture Time:	Wednesdays and Fridays, 2.00 – 3.30 PM
Lecture Venue:	303, 3 rd floor, Faculty of Economics Thammasat University, Tha Prachan campus
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Course Description:

Study history and methodology of psychology, biological foundation of behavior, human development, motivation, perception, learning, cognition, personality, and social behavior.

Prerequisites: -

Course Objectives:

1. To provide broad coverage of the field of psychology, introducing the theories, research, and applications that constitute the discipline.
2. To serve as an impetus for students to think critically about psychological phenomena, particularly those that have an impact on their everyday lives.
3. To arouse intellectual curiosity and build an appreciation of how psychology can increase students' understanding of the world around them.

Recommended Texts:

1. Coon, D. & Mitterer, J. (2013). *Gateways to Psychology: An Introduction to Mind & Behavior*. 13th ed., Wadsworth, Cengage Learning.

Suggested Readings:

1. Feldman, Robert (2010) *Essentials of Understanding Psychology*, 9th ed., New York: McGraw –Hill.
2. Kalat James, W. (2010) *Introduction to Psychology*, 9th ed., Pacific Grove, CA: Wadsworth Publishing.
3. Lahey, Benjamin B. (2011) *Psychology: An Introduction*, 11th ed. New York : McGraw-Hill..

Teaching – Learning Methods:

Lecture, exercise, case study, group discussion, role play and self-study.

Teaching Aids: Computers, video, and illustrations.

Teaching Plan:

Course Schedule

1. Introduction to Psychology	August 14, 16, 21
2. Brain and Behavior	August 23, 28, 30
3. Sensation, Perception and Reality	September 4, 6, 11, 13
4. States of Consciousness	September 18, 20
5. Conditioning and Learning	September 25, 27
Midterm Week September 30 – October 5	
6. Memory	October 9, 11
7. Cognition	October 16, 18
8. Intelligence	October 23, 25
9. Motivation and Emotion	October 30, November 1, 6
10. Development Across Life Span	November 8, 13
11. Personality	November 15, 20,22
12. Social Psychology	November 27, 29

Course Evaluation

Assignments and quizzes	25 %
Midterm	30 %
Final	<u>45 %</u>
Total	<u>100 %</u>

Important Dates

Class begins	August 13, 2013
Adding and Dropping Course	August 13 – 27, 2013
Midterm Exam	October 2, 2013 ; 2.00 – 3.30 PM
Course Withdrawal with “W”	October 16 – 21, 2013
Last day of classes	November 30, 2013
Final Exam	December 11, 2013 ; 9.00 AM - noon
