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Classroom: Clark 117
Prerequisites: Psy001

Copies of this syllabus may be found on the Psychology Department’s homepage at:
http://www.sjsu.edu/psych/

Course Description

Survey of clinical psychology as profession and the role of the clinical psychologist as therapist, diagnostician, administrator, scientist and agent of individual and social change.

Required Texts/Readings

Textbook

Classroom Protocol

1) Students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner. This includes coming to class on time and having reading assignments done in advance.
2) Class attendance and participation is an important component of this course. Though attendance will not be formally taken, students will be responsible for in-class projects that will require active course involvement.
3) Handouts and/or additional readings may be distributed during class. If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to obtain copies of course notes and handouts
from a colleague. Students will be responsible for content from every class, regardless of attendance.

4) Please make sure that any use of technological devices will not disrupt the class.

Dropping and Adding

Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drop, grade forgiveness, etc. Refer to the current semester’s Catalog Policies section at http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html. Add/drop deadlines can be found on the current academic calendar web page located at: http://www.sjsu.edu/academic_programs/calendars/academic_calendar/.

The Late Drop Policy is available at http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latedrops/policy/. Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for dropping classes.

Information about the latest changes and news is available at the Advising Hub at http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/.

Assignments and Grading Policy

Mid-Term Exams: (2 exams, 100 points each)

Two mid-term exams will be administered during the semester. The tests will not be cumulative and will cover the material presented in class, readings, and other media like films. The tests will consist of multiple choice questions. You will need to bring a green half-sheet ScanTron form (Form 882-E) with you for each of the exams.

Class participation (up to 50 points):

In addition to course material, students will be expected to participate in class activities. The specific activities will be announced in class, which means that attendance is important. It is unlikely that you can earn all 50 class participation points if you skip classes.

Student Project: (100 points)

To explore potential Clinical Psychology career options, students will research a specific career path involving a background in clinical psychology (e.g., Neuropsychologist, Forensic Psychologist, Clinical Researcher, Professor, Private Practice Clinician, Clinician in a Managed Care Setting, et.al.) Each student will prepare a written summary of the requirements for entry into that profession, availability of jobs for that specialty, and expected salary for such a career. This activity could become a personal exploration of a student’s expected career path.
Final examination: (100 points)

As with the midterms, the final exam will cover material presented in class, readings, and other media and will be in multiple choice format. Be sure you show up! There are NO MAKE-UPS for the final exam.

University Policies

Academic integrity
Students should know that the University’s Academic Integrity Policy is available at http://sa.sjsu.edu/judicial_affairs/faculty_and_staff/academic_integrity/index.html. Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University and the University’s integrity policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. The Student Conduct and Ethical Development website is available at http://www.sa.sjsu.edu/judicial_affairs/index.html. Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified. If you would like to include in your assignment any material you have submitted, or plan to submit for another class, please note that SJSU’s Academic Policy F06-1 requires approval of instructors.

Campus Policy in Compliance with the American Disabilities Act
If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. Presidential Directive 97-03 requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with the Disability Resource Center (DRC) at http://www.drc.sjsu.edu/ to establish a record of their disability.

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NO CLASS  
NO CLASS | Exam 2 | (Wks. 6,7,8&9) |
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| Final Exam | Monday, May 20  
2:45PM - 5:00PM | Exam 3 | (Wks. 11-14) |

Final Exam