

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY

Summary Outline of Course Content

- History and Approaches
- Research Methods
- Biological Bases of Behavior
- Sensation and Perception
- States of Consciousness
- Learning
- Cognition
- Motivation and Emotion
- Developmental Psychology
- Personality
- Testing and Individual Differences
- Abnormal Psychology
- Treatment of Psychological Disorders
- Social Psychology

Course Texts

Psychology: Themes and Variations 6th Edition, by Wayne Weiten
2004 Wadsworth, a division of Thomson Learning, Inc.

Tests, Quizzes, and other Assignments

- Lectures and Reading: Most chapters will be covered in two class sessions. Students are expected to read assigned text material before the lecture covering that material begins.
- Quizzes: There will be one quiz per chapter. The quiz is designed to assess the students reading comprehension of the material in each chapter. Quizzes are to be completed within a 30 minute time period without the help of any materials.
- Tests: One test will be given per chapter. An additional exam will be given for the Statistical portion of the course. Tests are to be completed within a 1 1/2 hour time period without the use of any subject matter material.

It is critical that the student take all exams very seriously and approach each honestly. Each student must maintain at least 70% average on the Tests. If a student scores less than 70% on any test, he or she must re-read the chapter. The exam will assist students in practicing overall writing skills and utilization of their critical thinking skills, as well as, assess knowledge and understanding of the material. The student is not allowed to refer to the textbook, notes or any other materials once he/she has begun the test.

Other Assignments:

- Review Questions
- Matching

Grading Policy:

- Test 30%
- Quizzes 40%
- Assignments 30%