

Effective Implementation date: Spring 2018, 201830

Course Prefix and Number: PSY249

Course Title: Abnormal Psychology: SS3

Course Credits: 3

Course Description: Examines abnormal behavior and its classification, causes, treatment, and prevention. This is a statewide Guaranteed Transfer course in the GT-SS3 category.

Guaranteed Transfer (GT) Pathways Course Statement:

The Colorado Commission on Higher Education has approved PSY249 for inclusion in the Guaranteed Transfer (GT) Pathways program in the GT-SS3 category. For transferring students, successful completion with a minimum C– grade guarantees transfer and application of credit in this GT Pathways category. For more information on the GT Pathways program, go to <https://highered.colorado.gov/academics/transfers/gtpathways/curriculum.html>.

GT-SS3: HUMAN BEHAVIOR, CULTURE OR SOCIAL FRAMEWORKS CONTENT CRITERIA

Students should be able to:

- a. Develop knowledge of human behavior, including learning, cognition, and human development **or** cultural or social frameworks/theories that explore and compare issues and characteristics of individuals, groups, communities, or cultures.
- b. Use tools, approaches, and skills from the Social & Behavioral Sciences to analyze and interpret issues.
- c. Understand diverse perspectives and groups.

GT-SS3 COMPETENCIES & STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Competency: Critical Thinking:

Students should be able to:

1. **Explain an Issue**
 - a. Use information to describe a problem or issue and/or articulate a question related to the topic.
2. **Utilize Context**
 - a. Evaluate the relevance of context when presenting a position.
 - b. Identify assumptions.
 - c. Analyze one’s own and others’ assumptions.
1. **Understand Implications and Make Conclusions**
 - a. Establish a conclusion that is tied to the range of information presented.
 - b. Reflect on implications and consequences of stated conclusion.

Competency: Diversity & Global Learning:

Students should be able to:

1. **Build Self-Awareness**
 - a. Demonstrate how their own attitudes, behaviors, or beliefs compare or relate to those of other individuals, groups, communities, or cultures.

2. Examine Perspectives

- a. Examine diverse perspectives when investigating social and behavioral topics within natural or human systems.

3. Address Diversity

- a. Make connections between the world-views, power structures, and experiences of individuals, groups, communities, or cultures, in historical or contemporary contexts.

REQUIRED COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Identify abnormal psychology -- historical, research, and conceptual components.
2. Compare the theoretical perspectives.
3. Compare and contrast the methods of assessment.
4. Explain the classification of psychological disorders.
5. Evaluate treatment approaches.

REQUIRED TOPICAL OUTLINE

- I. Introduction to Abnormal Psychology
- II. Theoretical Perspectives
- III. Methods of Assessment
- IV. Psychological Disorders
- V. Treatment Approaches

LEGAL COMPLIANCE

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