

INTRO TO PSYCHOLOGY - PSYCHOLOGY FOR EVERYDAY LIFE

Fall 2019/Spring 2020

Course Description: This course is a year-long exploration of psychology with an eye toward application of concepts to the student's everyday lives both academically and in their relationships. This class will provide a general foundation for any future college-level course.

High School Credit: 1 Social Science or 1 Elective credit.

Course Objectives:

- Students will study the major concepts and theories of psychology. They will learn key terms and concepts in the field of psychology and apply this to everyday life.
- Students will become familiar with psychological research methods.
- A Christian perspective will be incorporated throughout the course. Lectures will expand on the text and offer discussion time for improved understanding.
- Topics will include: memory and thought, personality, how we learn, attitudes and social influence, motivation and emotions, intelligence, development, abnormal psychology, interests and careers and much more.

What do students say about this course?:

"I love the energy and it's fascinating. You are a fantastic teacher..."

"My favorite class. Love it!"

"Psychology is so interesting, and this class is a fun way to explore the science while having fun."

Tuition: \$435-\$495 (Includes copy fee). ***Fee varies with date of registration.

Register by May 15: \$435 course fee. By June 15: \$465 course fee. After June 15: \$495.

Grade Level: 9-12th grade (Consider each student's maturity level in making this decision.)

Class Size: Minimum: 10 students. Maximum: 20 students.

Class Meeting Time: Classes will meet on scheduled Pathway Christian Co-op days for 1 hour.

Homework Requirements/Grading: Homework includes weekly reading from the course text, homework assignments, quizzes/tests and short projects. Class participation and attendance are also part of the overall grade.

Course Material:

Textbook: Understanding Psychology, Author: Kasschau, Richard A., Ph.D., Publisher: McGraw-Hill Education, (Copyright 2014). ISBN: 9780076631940.

Purchase textbook only (no e-books or teacher's editions please). This is a secular textbook written for high school students. Classroom lectures add/incorporate a Christian perspective.

*You may find used textbooks for under \$20...in the spring. (After April/May textbook prices can increase dramatically!) We will NOT need the online access card or code. I will supplement the textbook with additional content and research for enhanced learning and application.

*Beware of international textbook versions in alternate languages.

For Questions/Information About the Course :

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