Syllabus for General Psychology – Eureka Campus				
Semester & Year	Spring 2017			
Course ID and Section #	Psych 1 E0938			
Instructor's Name	Mark Winter			
Day/Time	TTh 1:15-2:40			
Location	CA 113			
<b>Number of Credits/Units</b>	3.0			
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Textbook Information	Title & Edition	Exploring Psychology 10th Ed		
	Author	Myers and DeWall		
	ISBN	1-4641-5407-4		

### **Course Description**

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#### **Academic Support**

Academic support is available at <u>Counseling and Advising</u> and includes academic advising and educational planning, <u>Academic Support Center</u> for tutoring and proctored tests, and <u>Extended</u> <u>Opportunity Programs & Services</u>, for eligible students, with advising, assistance, tutoring, and more.

#### **Academic Honesty**

In the academic community, the high value placed on truth implies a corresponding intolerance of scholastic dishonesty. In cases involving academic dishonesty, determination of the grade and of the

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student's status in the course is left primarily to the discretion of the faculty member. In such cases, where the instructor determines that a student has demonstrated academic dishonesty, the student may receive a failing grade for the assignment and/or exam and may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct (AP 5500) is available on the College of the Redwoods website at: <a href="http://www.redwoods.edu/board/Board-Policies/Chapter-5-Student-Services">http://www.redwoods.edu/board/Board-Policies/Chapter-5-Student-Services</a>, and scroll to AP 5500. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the college catalog and on the College of the Redwoods website.

#### **Disruptive Classroom Behavior**

Student behavior or speech that disrupts the instructional setting will not be tolerated. Disruptive conduct may include, but is not limited to: unwarranted interruptions; failure to adhere to instructor's directions; vulgar or obscene language; slurs or other forms of intimidation; and physically or verbally abusive behavior. In such cases where the instructor determines that a student has disrupted the educational process a disruptive student may be temporarily removed from class. In addition, he or she may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct (AP 5500) is available on the College of the Redwoods website at: <a href="http://www.redwoods.edu/board/Board-Policies/Chapter-5-Student-Services">http://www.redwoods.edu/board/Board-Policies/Chapter-5-Student-Services</a> and scroll to AP 5500.

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- Be aware of all marked exits from your area and building.
- Once outside, move to the nearest evacuation point outside your building:
- Keep streets and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel.
- Do not leave campus, unless it has been deemed safe by the Incident Commander or campus authorities. (CR's lower parking lot and Tompkins Hill Rd are within the Tsunami Zone.)

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# General Psychology Psych 1 – E0938 Spring 2017

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**Phone:** 707-476-4310

**Textbook website**: http://www.macmillanlearning.com/Catalog/product/exploringpsychology-

tenthedition-myers/instructorresources#tab Class Meetings: T/Th 1:15-2:40, CA 113

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**Text: Exploring Psychology** (2016, 10<sup>th</sup> Edition) by David Myers and C. Nathan DeWall, Worth publishers. Paperback ISBN-10: 1-4641-5407-4. The 9<sup>th</sup> edition is acceptable, **except** for citing pages to improve your test scores. Use the 10<sup>th</sup> edition to gain points after a test. A copy of the 10<sup>th</sup> edition is on two-hour reserve at the LRC.

**Student Commitment:** This three credit-hour class will require about nine hours per week of your time. You will have to regularly attend class, carefully read textbook chapters, submit thoughtful daily writing assignments, complete a research paper, and successfully demonstrate your learning in exams. Class attendance, conscientiousness, attention to details, reading, writing, and study skills are critical for success.

*Exams* (150 points): Each exam will consist of 75 multiple choice questions. After graded exams are returned, you can make corrections and improve your score ½ point for each missed item by identifying the correct answer and text page. Corrections are due one week following the exam's return. You must take the exam at or before its scheduled date for full credit. Late exams are allowed up to one week with a 15 point penalty.

Lecture Points (approx. 90 points at 3 points each class): Near the end of each class you will identify a topic from the lecture to respond and relate to your personal experience. Specifically, you will be asked

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to: Thoughtfully respond/react to the topic (1 point), relate/apply the topic to your own personal experience (1 point), write a question you have based on the day's topic (1 point), and write at least one-half page (100+ words). You must attend the full lecture to receive credit. Note: The lectures will be recorded and posted as audio files in Canvas. If you miss class, you can submit up to **two late lecture points** based on the class recordings.

**Research Paper** (100 points): This will be a short paper on any psychology topic of your choice including an outline (10 pts.), draft paper (60 pts.), and revised paper (30 pts.). Information is available at the modules link in Canvas. All research paper assignments will be submitted electronically using Canvas and Turnitin,com (rough draft only).

*Final Exam (100 points):* The final exam will consist of 75 multiple-choice items based on chapters 11-15 and 25 recycled questions from prior exams. There will not be an opportunity to correct missed items. You must take the exam at its scheduled date. Late exams are not allowed.

Please Note: There are no extra credit assignments.

**Grade Distribution:** A = 93% and above, A = 90-92%, B + 88-89%, B = 83-87, B = 80-82%, C + 80-82%, C = 65-77%, D = 60-64%, C = 65-77%, D = 60-64%, D = 60-64%,

Dates	Торіс	Readings	Assessment
Week 1: Jan 17 – Jan 19	Introduction	Chapter 1	Lecture Points
Week 2: Jan 24 – Jan 26	The Biology of Behavior	Chapter 2	Lecture Points
Week 3: Jan 31 – Feb 2	Consciousness	Chapter 3	Lecture Points
Week 4: Feb 7 – Feb 9	Human Development	Chapter 4	Lecture Points
Week 5: Feb 14 – Feb 16	Gender and Human Sexuality  Exam 1	Chapter 5	Lecture Points  Exam 1, Chs 1-5, Feb 16
Week 6: Feb 21 – Feb 23	Sensation and Perception	Chapter 6	Lecture Points Paper Outline

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Week 7: Feb 28 – Mar 2	Learning	Chapter 7	Lecture Points			
Week 8: Mar 7 – Mar 9	Memory	Chapter 8	Lecture Points			
SPRING BREAK – March 13-17						
Week 9: Mar 21 – Mar 23	Thinking, Language, and Intelligence	Chapter 9	Lecture Points Research Paper			
Week 10: Mar 28 – Mar 30	Motivation and Emotion	Chapter 10	Lecture Points			
Week 11: Apr 4 – Apr 6	Exam 2 Health Psychology	Chapter 11	Exam 2, Chs 6-10, April 4 Lecture Points			
Week 12: Apr 11 – Apr 13	Social Psychology	Chapter 12	Lecture Points Revised Paper			
Week 13: Apr 18 – Apr 20	Personality	Chapter 13	Lecture Points,			
Week 14: Apr 25 – Apr 27	Psychological Disorders	Chapter 14	Lecture Points,			
Week 15: May 2 – May 4	Treatment of Disorders	Chapter 15	Lecture Points,			
Final Exam May 11, 1-3pm			Final Exam Chs 11- 15 and recycled m/c exams			

**Code of Conduct:** Please familiarize yourself with the <u>Student Code of Conduct (AP 5500)</u>. It is required that you do your own work. All papers, postings, and exams must be completed by you without assistance. Do not use any source except the textbook or instructor's lectures in your discussion posts without proper citation. In cases involving academic dishonesty, determination of the grade and your status in the course is left primarily to the discretion of the instructor. In such cases where the instructor

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**Notes:** There are no extra-credit opportunities. While I make every effort to follow the standards and schedule of this syllabus there may be times when changes are necessary. I will inform the class of any changes. Administrative procedure (AP) 5075 allows instructors to withdraw students from class for non-participation or excessive absences through the 10<sup>th</sup> week of class.

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