

# Syllabus for Psychology 33 Personal Growth & Development

#### **Course Information**

Semester & Year: Fall 2019

Course ID: Psych 33 Section #: 048950

Instructor's name: Stephen Quiggle

Day/Time or \*Online: Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays 8:15 a.m. to 9:10 a.m.

Location or \*Online: C-5

Number of units: 3

# **Instructor Contact Information**

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## **Required Materials**

Textbook Title: I Never Knew I Had a Choice

Edition: 10th

Author: **Corey & Corey** ISBN: **9781285067681** 

#### **Required Materials**

**Textbook Title: The Four Agreements** 

Author: Don Miguel Ruiz

## **Catalog Description**

The course surveys psychological theories and empirical research as applied to personal growth, personality development and adjustment. The topics covered include: personality development, self-esteem, stress and coping, health, psychology of love, sex and sex roles, mental health diagnoses, work and group behavior. Students will learn to apply psychological theories and principles to their own lives. Students are asked to look at their own barriers to personal effectiveness in learning, work and interpersonal relationships.

## **Course Student Learning Outcomes**

## Students will be able to:

- 1. Explain concepts in areas of psychological theory and research while utilizing appropriate terms to represent the biopsychosocial perspective for development across the lifespan.
- 2. Describe specific research methods and the general principles of research ethics for the study of human beings, including the safeguards and the peer-review process in science.
- 3. Analyze psychological research and apply concepts to self and others in writing for life-long personal growth.
- 4. Differentiate between individual and sociocultural differences as applied to psychology of adjustment.

## **Evaluation & Grading Policy**

Rubrics and grading standards (listed below) will be discussed in class.

## recommended preparation

General Psychology; English 150

#### Special accommodations statement

College of the Redwoods complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act in making reasonable accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. Please present your written accommodation request at least one week before the first test so that necessary arrangements can be made. No last-minute arrangements or post-test adjustments will be made. If you have a disability or believe you might benefit from disability related services and may need accommodations, please see me or contact <u>Disabled Students Programs and Services</u>. Students may make requests for alternative media by contacting DSPS at 707-476-4280.

#### Student feedback policy

Student coursework progression can be addressed privately after class or by appointment. All graded coursework will be returned by the class meeting following the due date.

#### Student Accessibility Statement and Academic Support Information

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.

As a concurrently enrolled student, you are earning 3 units of college course credit and 10 HS credits (2 semesters) when you pass this course.

This course is different in conception and template than many others that you may have enrolled in, to date. Each class meeting, there is the assumption that you have completed any assigned reading, reviewed any required videos, and completed any assignments necessary, and are ready to <u>discuss</u> the material, <u>prior</u> to class. In this course, you are in college; as such, we will all work together respectfully and conduct ourselves maturely and courteously.

I'm here to support you. Be involved. Ask questions. Share your perspective. Remember, we're all in this together.

# Term Calendar & class schedule

Class will begin on August 27th and end on December 17th; we will meet every M / W / F at 8:15 a.m. in C-5 unless otherwise noted. If you're going to drop the course, do it by September 6th!

Week	Topic	Reading	Activity / Assessment/ Assignment due*	
Week 1: 8/27 & 29	Course Introduction. Review Course syllabus, materials, & process.		Class mixer; Group assgnmts Syllabus Quiz	
Week 2: 9/3 & 9/5	Invitation to personal learning	Chapter 1 FA introduction		
Week 3: 9/10 & 9/12	Childhood & Adolescence	Chapter 2		
Week 4: 9/17 & 9/19	Adulthood & Autonomy	Chapter 3 FA – 1 <sup>st</sup> Agreement	Presentations	
Week 5: 9/24 & 9/26	Wellness	Chapter 4	Written Assignment 1	
Week 6: 10/1 & 10/3	Stress Management Anxiety abatement	Chapter 5 FA – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Agreement		
Week 7: 10/8 & 10/10	Love	Chapter 6	Group Presentations	
Week 8: 10/15 & 10/17	Relationships	Chapter 7	Mid term	
Week 9: 10/22 & 10/24	Becoming the person that you choose to be	Chapter 8 FA – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Agreement		
Week 10: 10/29 & 11/1	Sex & sexuality they're not the same things!	Chapter 9		
Week 11: 11/5 & 11/8	Work & Recreation; they're not mutually exclusive	Chapter 10	Written Assignment 2	
Week 12: 11/12 & 11/15	Loneliness & Solitude	Chapter 11 FA -4 <sup>th</sup> Agreement	Group Presentations	
Week 13: 11/19 & 11/22	Death & Loss	Chapter 12	Term paper / Book report outline <b>Thursday*</b>	
Week 14: 11/26 & 11/28	Take the week off. Give thanks!	For Fun	Relax	
Week 15: 12/3 & 12/5	Meaning & Value	Chapter 13 FA – In concert		
Week 16: 12/10 & 12/13	Pathways to Personal Growth	Chapter 14	Term paper Due <b>Thursday*</b> Term exam <b>Thursday*</b>	
Week 17: 12/17	Final & paper returned Final engagement		Term exam & papers returned	

We will meet on One Saturday – the date will be set well in advance.

## **Evaluating and Reporting Progress**

Your grade will be determined by the quality of your writing assignments, the mid and term quiz scores, group participation project and level / quality of participation totaling 400 points (there are extra credit opportunities). **Personal grades will only be discussed privately**.

Participation: attendance, discussion, engagement		150
3 Group presentations		60
Mid-term exam		40
2- brief written assignments-25 points each		50
Term exam		50
Term paper or book report		50
	Total	400

## **Grading Scale**

A 100% - 90% B 89% - 80% C 79% - 70% D 69% - 60% F below 60% NP below 70%

## Scoring Rubrics (how your work is evaluated)

**Written Assignments** (25 pts): The goal of the short papers is to learn about applying psychological process and communicate what you have learned. There may be annotated bibliographies, executive summaries, or short article reviews that shall each be:

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1-2 page
1.5 spacing
1" margins
12 point font (Times or Arial)
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Accurately and concisely (briefly) write a narrative that addresses the prompt you will be given. A minimum of two sources are required for each essay. Use both in-text/body (parenthetical) citations and a reference page. Please use APA style guides. Assignments are due on the Thursday of the week due either at the beginning of class or be emailed to me prior to class. Late work is only accepted by prior arrangement.

**Term Paper (50 pts):** Papers should be 3-5 pages following the mechanics above. **Consult a minimum of four scholarly resources** and cite. Complete an APA title page. Topics to choose from will be given well in advance. Outlines are required week 13 and equal 20% of the total grade of the paper (basically, you earn 10 points for turning in an outline so that I can make sure you're on the right track!)

**Quizzes and Exam**s are a combination of multiple choice and fill in the blank (with terms provided) and short answer essay. These assessments are concise and designed to let us (you and me) know what you've learned. No gimmicks, no tricks. For multiple choice, there is one clear and correct answer and two or three incorrect choices.

**Extra Credit** will be available intermittently throughout the course and will equate to about 20 points total. Therefore, while Xcredit may "help" boost your grade, it will not make up for a missed paper or term exam!