

## PSY110 (B): Introduction to Psychology

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Text: **Exploring Psychology, Eighth Edition in Modules, by David Myers.** [www.worthpublishers.com](http://www.worthpublishers.com)

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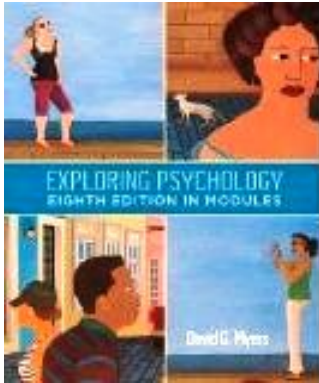
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		TOPIC	MODULES
Jan.	11	M (1) Introduction; Definition of Psychology	1
	13	W (2) Pre-testing for research participation	
	<u>15</u>	F (3) History of Psychology	2
	18	M <b>Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (No Class)</b>	
	20	W (4) How to Ace This Class (and other classes)	Handout
	<u>22</u>	F (5) Research Methods	2
	25	M (6) Biology: Nervous System; Hormonal System	3
	27	W (7) The Brain	4
<i>Jan. 27: Last Day to Drop a Course Without a "W"</i>			
	<u>29</u>	F (8) Varieties of Consciousness: Sleep, Dreams, Hypnosis	5, 6
Feb.	1	M (9) Review for Exam #1	
	<b>3</b>	<b>W (10) Exam #1 (25%) (Modules 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, classes, handouts)</b>	
	<u>5</u>	F (11) Statistical Reasoning	Appendix A
	8	M (12) Intro. to Developmental Psychology	8, 9,10
	10	W (13) Nature and Nurture: Behavior Genetics, Evolutionary Psychology, etc.	8, 9,10
	<u>12</u>	F (14) Infancy & Childhood	11
	15	M (15) Sensation & Perception: 1	14
	17	W (16) Sensation & Perception: 2	16
	<u>19</u>	F (17) Learning: Classical Conditioning: 1	17
	22	M (18) Classical Conditioning: 2	17
<i>Feb.22-Mar. 7: Midterm Reporting</i>			
	24	W (19) Learning: Operant Conditioning: 1	18
	<u>26</u>	F (20) Operant Conditioning: 2 / Observational Learning	18,19
	29	M (21) Review for Exam #2	
Mar.	<b>2</b>	<b>W (22) Exam #2 (25%) (Apndx A, Mod 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, classes, handouts)</b>	
	<u>4</u>	F (23) Information Processing	20
<b>Mar. 5 - 13 (Sat.-Sun) - SPRING BREAK - No Class</b>			
	14	M (24) Memory & Forgetting	21
	16	W (25) Intelligence: 1	24
	<u>18</u>	F (26) Intelligence: 2	24
	21	M (27) Motivation: 1	p.355-358
	23	W (28) Motivation: 2	Handout
<i>Mar.23: Last Day to Drop a Course</i>			
	<u>25</u>	F (29) Psychological Disorders: 1	32
	28	M (30) Psychological Disorders: 2	33 & p.499-507
	<b>30</b>	<b>W (31) Exam #3 (25%) (Modules 20, 21, 24, p.355-358, 32, 33, p.499-504, classes, handouts)</b>	
Apr.	1	F (32) Treatment of Psychological Disorders	35
	4	M (33) Emotion: 1	27
	6	W (34) Emotion: 2	28
	<u>8</u>	F (35) Personality: 1	30
	11	M (36) Personality: 2	31
	13	W (37) Social Psychology: 1	37
	<u>15</u>	F (38) Social Psychology: 2	37,38
	18	M (39) Social Psychology: 3	38
<i>Apr.18: Last Day to Schedule Final Exam</i>			
	20	W (40) Review for Exam #4	
	<b>22</b>	<b>F (41) Exam #4 (25%) (Modules 35, 27, 28, 30, 31, 37, 38, classes, handouts)</b>	

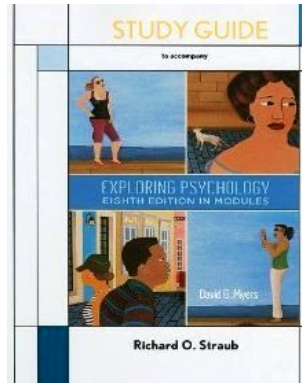
Apr. 27 - May 4 Final Exam Days

**Our Final Exam (25%): Mon., May 2, 2016 (8:00–10:00 AM)**

**Myers: Exploring Psychology, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, in Modules**



**Optional: Study Guide**



Please: No phone or computer use in class



**Handouts and other supplementary materials** will be distributed on Blackboard: [www.courses.miami.edu](http://www.courses.miami.edu) Also check your e-mail for communications.

Honor Code: All students are expected to abide by the University of Miami Student Honor Code: [www.miami.edu/dean-student/honor-code](http://www.miami.edu/dean-student/honor-code). All examinations will require the signed Honor Code pledge.

Attendance: I do not formally take attendance, but I do expect you to attend all classes. There will be information presented in class that is included in exams that is not in the book or handouts. If you have to miss a class, you may have another student voice-record the class or get the notes from another student.

Examinations: There will be four regular classroom exams– **the lowest score will be dropped.** There is a comprehensive final exam involving definition of terms based on a STUDY GUIDE handout in Blackboard. If you miss an examination (except for the Final) it will be counted as the grade that is dropped. The format for exams is 2/3 from the textbook, 1/3 from lecture and handouts.

Religious Days: It is the policy of the University that a student may be absent from class for any religious observance of his or her choice. The policy requires the student to declare the specific dates of absence in writing to the instructor within the first three days of class meeting.

**Final Exam for this class (25%): Monday, May 2, 2016 (9:00-11:00 AM)**

This test will be 2 hours (compared to 50 minutes for the other exams). It will cover the terms and concepts of the entire course based on a handout in Blackboard.

Course Grade: Classroom Examinations (3 highest scores X 25% each) . . . 75%  
Final Exam . . . . . 25%

93 – 100 = A	77 – 79 = C+
90 – 92 = A-	73 – 76 = C
88 – 89 = B+	70 – 72 = C-
83 – 87 = B	60 – 69 = D
80 – 82 = B-	50 – 59 = F

If you score below 70 on an exam, please make an appointment to meet with me after class or during office hours.

**Research Requirement:** Each student must earn research points either through research participation or through a reading/writing assignment. You will be given a handout that explains this in detail on the first day of class.

For any questions about the research requirement after it is explained in class, go to <https://miami.sona-systems.com/>. Additional questions can be answered at the Research Participation Office (Flipse Bldg. Room 508).

**Alternative to experiments: Writing Assignment:** Each paper should be 600-650 words (2 pages) in length. Page 1: Summarize the purpose of the research, what kind of study it was (refer to textbook Module 2), and the main conclusions of the particular study.

Page 2: Your evaluation of the study, and how do you think the research could be improved if you, personally, were conducting the research now. Each paper counts as 1 research credit.

The following statement must appear on the top of each paper: "By submitting this assignment I am affirming that on my honor, this is my own independent work."

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