

NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: General Psychology I

Course #: PSY 111

Course Description: A study of human behavior and mental processes through the investigation of such topics as biological roots, human development, memory, psychological research, learning, social psychology. This course is a prerequisite for most psychology courses.

Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: Eng 101 with a C or higher, or concurrent enrollment in Eng 101.

Goals: To provide students a basic understanding of

1. the different fields and philosophies in Psychology
2. the research process
3. the ways we think, learn, and act based on biological, environmental and cognitive factors

Outcomes: By the end of the semester students should:

1. Recognize different theories contributing to the history of psychology.
2. Identify processes of memory.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of descriptive and explanatory research techniques.
4. Identify the functions and structures of the brain and nervous system.
5. Evaluate the influences of biological processes on our behavior.
6. Identify the three major domains of development and the major theoretical perspectives that describe each.
7. Distinguish major learning theories and evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of each.
8. Identify major concepts related to social relations.
9. Evaluate applied examples of human cognition and behavior, and correctly identify pertinent psychological theories and concepts.

College Policies

Plagiarism: Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanctions ranging from failure of the assignment (receiving a zero), failing the course, being removed/expelled from the program and/or the College. Please refer to your “Student Handbook” under “Policy on Student Rights,” the Section entitled “Student Discipline,” or the College catalog for additional information.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): The College will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities. Students should notify Dr. Christine Woodcock, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6318 and her email is cwoodcock@nwcc.edu.

School Cancellations: If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations and posted on the College's website at www.nwcc.edu. Students may also call the College directly at **(860) 738-6464** to hear a recorded message concerning any inclement weather closings. Students are urged to exercise their own judgment if road conditions in their localities are hazardous.

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Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team: NCCC is committed to creating a community that is safe and supportive of people of all gender and sexual identities. This pertains to the entire campus community, whether on ground or virtual, students, faculty, or staff.

Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim's needs.

SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

The NCCC team members are:

Ruth Gonzalez, Ph.D.	860-738-6315	Green Woods Hall Room 207
Susan Berg	860-738-6342	Green Woods Hall Room 223
Kathleen Chapman	860-738-6344	Green Woods Hall Room 110
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Jane O'Grady	860-738-6393	Founders Hall Annex Room 212
Patricia Bouffard, Ex-Officio	860-738-6319	Founders Hall Room 103
Savannah Schmitt		Student Representative

At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.