PSYCHOLOGY (PSYCH)

Courses
PSYCH 151 College Study Skills and Resources Credits: 3
Course helps Propel students develop critical thinking, time management and academic skills, necessary for success in college and future employment. Students will learn about their individual learning styles and skills as well as the academic resources available to help them develop new skills. They will also explore and use various software and apps to help them stay organized and build self-sufficiency.
Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 152 Developing a Person-Centered Life Plan Credits: 3
In this course students in the Propel Program will develop a person-centered plan that will serve as a foundation for their college experience and their future. The course approaches the topic with the belief that people with disabilities are people first and therefore the person-centered life engages the whole person and ensures person-centered supports.
Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 153 Communication Skills for Networking, Employment, and Friendship Credits: 3
Through this course, students in the Propel program will gain communication skills, networking skills; learn how to build friendships; and gain important insight on personal safety.
Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 154 Personal Finance and Disability Services Credits: 3
This course will introduce Propel students to disability services and systems that they will need in their adult lives. A second focus on personal finance will help students understand how disability benefits affect their personal finances.
Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 155 Developing a Career Credits: 3
Career development is a journey of self-assessment and decision-making. Using an interactive discovery process, students identify possible careers that would match personality type, strengths, interests, skills, and/or values. With Career Center resources, Propel students identify strategies for leveraging the college experience to jumpstart a career.
Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 156 Transition Skills Credits: 3
Propel students will learn how to identify, report and avoid abuse, neglect, and exploitation. They will also learn about their personal rights, including the right to confidentiality.
Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 207 Orientation to the Psychology Major Credit: 1
This course provides an introduction to the field of Psychology, and to the Department of Psychology at UMKC. Students will explore major requirements, behaviors associated with academic success, campus resources, and faculty research and teaching interests.
Co-requisites: PSYCH 217.

PSYCH 210 General Psychology Credits: 3
A survey of the fundamental principles, theories, and methods of psychological science.
PSYCH 210 - MOTR PSYC 100: General Psychology

PSYCH 212 Social Psychology Credits: 3
Survey of behavior in the actual, imagined, and implied presence of others, including attitudes, the self, conformity, altruism, aggression, prejudice, and group processes.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 217 Academic and Career Opportunities in Psychology Credits: 3
An introduction to the applied fields of Psychology. Students will explore post-BA career options and engage with professionals who will share their career paths, their academic interests, and challenges of their current positions. Emphasis will be placed on students developing academic plans that will prepare them for professional success.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with C- or better. Must be Psychology BA major and have completed a minimum of 15 credit hours.

PSYCH 222 Child Psychology Credits: 3
Survey of child development from conception to adolescence, including major theories, developmental milestones and research related to the physical, cognitive, social and emotional growth of children.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.
PSYCH 252 Psychology of Communicating Your Lived Experience Credits: 3
This course provides frameworks for people interested in communicating their lived experiences with disabilities. This course will not satisfy the College of Arts and Sciences’ Social and Behavioral Science distribution or Humanities distribution degree requirements.

PSYCH 253 Disability Civil Rights Movements Credits: 3
A survey of disability civil rights movements. The course includes such topics as institutionalization and deinstitutionalization, education, protests, civil rights advocacy, and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Students will develop a timeline of disability history milestones and conduct oral history interviews with Kansas City area individuals with disabilities.

Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 255 Accessible, Inclusive Internships Credits: 3
Through this experiential learning opportunity, students complete an internship with a company, non-profit, governmental or community-based organization. Through a combination of direct observation, reflection, and evaluation, students relate the experience to their academic study and to their career exploration.

Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 257 Disability History and Culture Credits: 3
An examination of selected political, cultural, economic and social forces shaping disability from historical and present day perspectives. The course is taught with discussions and reflections with local disability leaders.

Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 258 Leadership and Disabilities Credits: 3
Students learn about leadership theories and develop leadership skills as they apply theory to practical situations.

Prerequisites: Propel Student.

PSYCH 302 Research Design in Psychological Science Credits: 3
An overview of research designs and data collection methods used in psychological science. Emphasis is placed on comparing strengths and limitations of various research designs and data collection methods as well as identifying appropriate uses of those research designs and data collection methods.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 305 Psychology of Gender Credits: 3
An examination of theory and research on the biological, psychological, and social aspects of gender. Differences and similarities in men’s and women’s affect, cognition, and behavior will be explored. Perceptions of how gender affects cognitions and behaviors will also be discussed.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 316 Quantitative Methods In Psychology Credits: 3
Introduction to the use, calculation, reporting, and interpretation of descriptive and elementary inferential statistical techniques in psychological science.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better; and MATH 110 or MATH 116 or STAT 115 or MOTRMATH 110 or higher level math (with a grade of C- or higher); or ALEKS Score of 61 or higher.

PSYCH 320 Ethnic and Minority Perspectives in Psychology Credits: 3
The theory, methods and content of psychology relevant to the interests and needs of ethnic minorities, and the contributions of ethnic groups and other minorities to psychology.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 323 Theory and Methods of Personality Credits: 3
The development, organization, dynamics and determinants of personality. May not be taken for graduate credit.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 405 Motivation and Emotion Credits: 3
A review of the principles of both human and animal motivation from classical drive, behavioral, and cognitive perspectives. May not be taken for graduate credit.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 407 Cognitive Psychology Credits: 3
Historical foundations and current state of knowledge regarding human information processing and the mental processes that underlie human behavior.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 418 Brain and Behavior I Credits: 3
Introduction to the neural bases of human behavior, including movement, learning and memory, sensation and perception, emotion, cognition, psychological, and neurological disorders.

Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.
PSYCH 433 Psychological Disorders Credits: 3
Introduction to major psychological problems and disorders as well as consideration of some of the many interacting biopsychosocial influences viewed from an empirically-informed perspective. May not be taken for graduate credit.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 440 The Psychology Of Aging Credits: 3
Survey of concepts, theory, and methods in the psychology of aging, including biological and social influences on behavior.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a grade of C- or better.

PSYCH 450 Special Topics Credits: 1-3
Offered as the result of student demand, specialized faculty interests, or the availability of a visiting expert in a field related to psychology.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a grade of C- or better.

PSYCH 461 Field Practicum Credits: 1-6
Provides supervised human services experience in an external community agency or organization that addresses human or social problems.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 490 Directed Individual Research Credits: 1-6
Students work on an individual research project under the supervision of a departmental faculty member.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a grade of C- or better.

PSYCH 491 Psychology Research Externship Credits: 1-6
Provides supervised research experience in an external community agency or organization that examines basic or applied research questions.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 with a C- or better.

PSYCH 495WI Contemporary Issues in Psychology Credits: 3
In-depth analysis of a contemporary issue in psychology. Emphasis will be placed on reading and writing about empirical approaches to contemporary challenges in psychological science.
Prerequisites: PSYCH 210 and PSYCH 302 both with a C- or better.

PSYCH H210 General Psychology Credits: 3
A survey of the fundamental principles, theories, and methods of psychological science.
Prerequisites: Departmental consent.