

PSY 241 Developmental Psychology

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisites: PSY 150; or satisfactory score on placement test

Corequisites: None

This course is a study of human growth and development. Emphasis is on major theories and perspectives as they relate to the physical, cognitive, and psychosocial aspects of development from conception to death.

Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate knowledge of development across the life span.

This course has been approved to satisfy the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement for the general education core requirement in social/behavioral sciences.

Course Hours per Week: Class, 3. Semester Hours Credit, 3.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completing requirements for this course, the student will be able to:

1. Be able to demonstrate a broad working knowledge of developmental psychology by providing an overview of basic principles related to physical, cognitive, and psychosocial changes throughout the entire lifespan.
2. Identify the major theories that contribute to the field of developmental psychology.
3. Be able to demonstrate an understanding of different stages of development through the lifespan.
4. Identify and apply developmental concepts to everyday life.

OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION:

- I. Introduction to Human Development
 - A. Theories of Human Development
- II. Genetics and Prenatal Development
 - A. Physical Development
- III. Birth and the Newborn Child
 - A. Physical Development
 - B. Cognitive Development
 - C. Psychosocial Development
- IV. Infancy
 - A. Physical Development
 - B. Cognitive Development
 - C. Psychosocial Development
- V. Toddlerhood
 - A. Physical Development
 - B. Cognitive Development
 - C. Psychosocial Development
- VI. Early Childhood
 - A. Physical Development
 - B. Cognitive Development
 - C. Psychosocial Development
- VII. Middle Childhood
 - A. Physical Development
 - B. Cognitive Development

- C. Psychosocial Development

VIII. Adolescence

- A. Physical Development

- B. Cognitive Development

- C. Psychosocial Development

IX. Young Adulthood

- A. Physical Development

- B. Cognitive Development

- C. Psychosocial Development

X. Middle Adulthood

- A. Physical Development

- B. Cognitive Development

- C. Psychosocial Development

XI. Late Adulthood

- A. Physical Development

- B. Cognitive Development

- C. Psychosocial Development

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIAL:

The textbook and other instructional material will be determined by the instructor.