



Course Name: Forensic Psychology

Course Number: PSY* E290

Credits: 3

Catalog description: Throughout the semester we will analyze and reflect in depth on such issues as Profiling, Eyewitness Testimony, Capital Punishment, Insanity Defense, False Confessions, Innocence, and Domestic Violence, and Sexual Offenders. In examining these issues we will explore multiple perspectives (specifically related to offenders), examine real life cases, and analyze multiple moral and ethical perspectives.

Prerequisite, Corequisite, or Parallel: PSY* E111 and ENG* E102 or permission of instructor.

General Education Competencies Satisfied:

HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s):

None

Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs:

None

Embedded Competency(ies):

ED **Appreciation of the Ethical Dimensions of Humankind (Outcomes 1 2 3 4)**

Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):

BHEL **Behavioral Science elective**

Course objectives:

General Education Goals and Outcomes:

Embedded Appreciation of the Ethical Dimensions of Humankind: Students will identify ethical principles that guide individual and collective actions and apply those principles to the analysis of contemporary social and political problems.

1. Respond critically to ethical issues.
2. Apply appropriate concepts and terminology in identifying ethical problems, proposing and defending solutions to them.
3. Apply standards and practices of scholarship, research, and documentation to defend positions and beliefs, including reevaluating beliefs in light of unforeseen implications or new evidence.



4. Recognize the value of creative, collaborative, and innovative approaches to problem-solving, including the ability to acknowledge differing points of view.

Course Specific Objectives:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the basic concept of forensic psychology.

Course Content:

- Introduction to Forensic Psychology
- Criminal Profiling/Serial Killer/Motives
- Eyewitness Testimony
- Innocence/False Confessions
- Capital Punishment
- Insanity Defense
- Domestic Violence
- Sexual Assault

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