

Psychology 304, CRN 1550
Biopsychology
Fall, 1991
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MEETING TIME AND PLACE: 14:00-15:20, Tue and Thur, 207 CHA

IMPORTANT DATES:

Class exam: 10/22

Class exam: 11/14

Final exam: 1:00 pm, Fri, 12/13/91

REQUIRED TEXT:

Kimble, D. P. 1988. Biological Psychology

RESERVE READING:

Excerpts from Carlson, N. R. 1991. Physiology of Behavior (4th ed.). This material has been placed on reserve in the main library.

OFFICE HOURS:

Mr. Gordon-Lickey: Room 217 Huestis, ext. 64580, Tue 3:30 - 5:30 pm or call 64580 to make appointment

Ms. Jackson: Room 490 Straub, ext. 64964 ext 39, Tue 1:00-2:00 Th 3:30-4:30

EXAMS:

Exams will consist of multiple choice and short essay questions. There will be two class exams and a final. There will also be three unannounced, short essay, 15 minute class quizzes. Paper and answer sheets will be provided. Please have your own pencil.

GRADING:

The class exams contribute 25% each, the final 30%, and the quizzes 20% of the total grade. Students who submit less than 70% of the total work will be given F or N. Students who submit 70% or more of the total work may obtain an incomplete (I) upon request and if justified by the student's particular circumstances. In the absence of a request such students will receive a letter grade based on the total points earned on the work submitted.

LECTURE MEETINGS AND READING ASSIGNMENTS:

* = material found in reserve reading room at main library.

9/24/91	Mind, body; psychology, biology Kimble, Chapter 1, and pp 26-29
9/26/91	How axons work Kimble, Chapter 2: pp 29-49 *Carlson, N.R. 1991. <u>Physiology of Behavior</u> pp 32-44
10/1/91	How synapses work, Part 1 Kimble, Chapter 2: pp 49-61 *Carlson, N.R. 1988. pp 47-60

10/3/91 How synapses work, Part 2
 No further reading
 10/8/91 Drug action on synapses and behavior
 *Carlson, N.R. pp 67-72
 10/10/91 Organization of the nervous system
 Kimble, Chapter 3
 10/15/91 Development of the nervous system
 Kimble, Chapter 4
 10/17/91 Sensory receptors and coding
 Kimble, Chapter 5: pp 124-144
 10/22/91 **CLASS EXAM** covers all lectures and readings assigned through
 10/15/91, 25% of term grade
 10/24/91 Visual processing and perception
 Kimble, Chapter 5: 144-171
 10/29/91 Movement
 Kimble, Chapter 7
 10/31/91 Circadian rhythms of activity and sleep
 Kimble, Chapter 10
 11/5/91 Homeostasis and hormone signals
 Kimble, Chapter 8
 11/7/91 Hormone signals for action and development
 Kimble, Chapter 9
 11/12/91 Anatomy of learning
 Kimble, Chapter 12
 11/14/91 **CLASS EXAM** covers material assigned for 10/17/91 through 11/7/91,
 25% of term grade
 11/19/91 Physiology of learning
 *Carlson, 1988, pp 396-401
 11/21/91 Speech, language, and hemispheric specialization
 Kimble, Chapters 13 and 14
 11/26/91 Mental Illness I: Schizophrenia
 Kimble, Chapter 15
 11/28/91 No class. Thanksgiving vacation
 12/3/91 Mental Illness II: Mood Disorders
 12/5/91 Mental Illness III: Anxiety Disorders
 12/13/91 **FINAL EXAM.** 1:00 pm, Friday. Exam thoroughly covers the material
 assigned for 11/12 and thereafter, 30% of grade. The exam
 lightly covers the material assigned for 9/24 through 11/7.

Psychology 304, Biopsychology: Course objectives

Psychology 304, Biopsychology, covers basic principles of neural action and how these principles explain behavior and mental life. Phenomena discussed include communication within the body, psychoactive drugs, development, sensation, perception, movement, sleep, behavioral rhythms, appetite, sexual behavior, learning, language and mental illness. The course gives science group distribution credit as a stand alone course. There are no prerequisites, but high school physics or chemistry is strongly recommended as preparation. The course is appropriate as an elective for students majoring in any subject, except that Biology majors and pre-medical students are encouraged to take Psychol 445, Brain Mechanisms of Behavior, rather than Psychol 304. Psychol 304 prepares students to take all 400 level courses in Biopsychology.
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