

SYLLABUS for LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT PSYCHOLOGY

DATE: Spring 2023

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: PSYC 205-01 & 205-02 Lifespan Development Psychology

CREDIT HOURS: 3

TIME AND PLACE:

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GENERAL EDUCATION COMPETENCY AREA: Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing

Course Description: This course is designed to help the student gain an understanding of the physical, cognitive, emotional, social, and moral development of children and adolescents. Basic theories of child, adolescent, and adult development will be studied to assist the student in the practice of understanding humans.

Text: Life Span: Human Development, 9th ed., by Sigelman & Rider with MindTap access

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General Statement of Goals and Objectives

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GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES (GELOs):

Upon successful completion of this course, you should be able to demonstrate the following competencies:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the theoretical and conceptual frameworks of a particular Social Science discipline, in this case, Developmental Psychology

2. Develop an understanding of self and the world by examining the dynamic interaction of individuals, groups, and societies as they shape and are shaped by history culture, institutions, and ideas.
3. Utilize Social Science approaches, such as research methods, inquiry, or problem-solving, to examine the variety of perspectives about human experience.
4. Evaluate how reasoning, history, or culture informs and guides **individual**, civic, or global decisions.
5. Understand and appreciate similarities and differences among and between individuals, cultures, or societies across space and time.

Course Specific Student Outcomes and Competencies

Upon completion of this course, students will be familiar with major concepts in the discipline of developmental psychology, including but not limited to:

- Basic research designs and those specific to developmental research;
- Gardner's theory of multiple intelligences;
- Piaget's theory of cognitive development;
- Erikson's theory of psychosocial development;
- Kohlberg's theory of moral reasoning;
- Skinner's operant conditioning;
- Bandura's social cognitive theory;
- information processing views of learning;
- theories of personality;
- psychopathology related to development;
- theories of death and dying

A note to persons with disabilities. If you need course accommodations because of a disability, if you have emergency medical information to share with me, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible. My office location and office hours are printed above.

Diversity Vision Statement: Regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, national origin, disability, veteran status, or sexual orientation, you will be treated and respected as a human being.

Program requirements: Students have the responsibility for knowing their program requirements, course requirements, and other information associated with their enrollment at LCSC. Students should review the LCSC General Catalog and the LCSC Student Handbook for more information.

Lewis-Clark State College Academic Dishonesty Policy: Cheating or plagiarism in any form is unacceptable. The College functions to promote the cognitive and psychosocial development of all students. Therefore, all work submitted by a student must represent one's own ideas, concepts and current understanding. Academic Dishonesty includes:

- Cheating - intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise. The term "academic exercise" includes all forms of work submitted for credit hours.
- Fabrication - intentional and/or unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or the source of any information in an academic exercise.
- Collusion facilitating academic dishonesty – intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to commit an act of Academic Dishonesty.
- Plagiarism - the deliberate adoption or reproduction of ideas or words or statement of another person as one's own without acknowledgment.

The sanctions imposed for a violation of this section of the Code are independent of, and in addition to, any adverse academic evaluation which results from the student's conduct. The course instructor is responsible for academic evaluation of a student's work and shall make that evaluation without regard to any disciplinary action which may or may not be taken against a student under the Student Code of Conduct.

Withdrawing: The deadline for withdrawing from the class with a 'W' on your transcript is Thursday, April 6, 2023. After that, a petition is required, it costs money, and it is not necessarily approved. Withdrawing can negatively impact your financial aid, so please be aware of all consequences.

Attendance: Attendance is expected but not required. However, there is a positive correlation between class attendance and final grade: those that attend regularly tend to get better grades. Please be sure to sign in each day you attend in-person. **If there are circumstances that will interfere with your regular attendance, please register for the online version of the course.**

In the first week of the semester, you should pick at least one or two classmates to be your 'lecture buddies'. You should exchange contact information with your lecture buddies. If you miss a day of lecture, then you can rely on their lecture notes and, if they miss a day of lecture, they can rely on your lecture notes.

No texting, cell phones, or unauthorized internet activity during class. NO EXCEPTIONS. All cell phones need to be turned off or placed on silent.

Computer and tablet use: Because you have the option to use an e-book you may use a computer during class for accessing your textbook, typing lecture notes, or class work and activities. You are **NOT** to use your computer or tablet for any other internet activity.

COURSE EVALUATION

1) Exams (40% of final course grade):

- a. There will be four (4) exams covering the lesson and text materials each worth 10% of your total course grade.
- b. We will be moving through some of the chapters rather quickly. We will use class time to discuss major theories and concepts in the text. However, I may not cover everything from the text in my lectures so you need to read the whole chapter (unless otherwise indicated). We will also be discussing some material from outside the text, for which you will also be responsible.
- c. Exams will consist of multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, and/or short answer/essay questions and will be taken in person by everyone.
- d. **MISSING A TEST:** The only acceptable reasons to miss a test are *extreme* illness, absence while representing the college, or death in the family. In any case, I **must** be notified at least **2 hours prior** to the beginning of class period during which the test is given for a make-up to be possible. Make-ups are taken in the Testing Center in the Library building, 161. The Testing Center requires an appointment. A 24-hr notice and ID are required (208-792-2100, 1-800-879-0453, testing@lcsc.edu). Do **NOT** to leave for home or vacation before any test and expect to take it early. I do not allow tests to be taken early. If English is not your first language, you may use a web-based

translation dictionary by taking your tests at the Testing Center. Please arrange this through me ahead of time.

2) MindTap Learning Modules (25% of final course grade):

- 1) Each week, in addition to the assigned reading, you will also be assigned homework in MindTap, online learning modules associated with this text book. MindTap Learning Modules homework will account for 25% of your total course grade. MindTap Learning Modules homework will include **Chapter Review with Mastery Training** and other required activities to complete such as videos, activities, application assignments and a chapter quiz to do in MindTap (see Tentative Course Schedule at the end of the syllabus & in Canvas).
- 2) MindTap Modules are due by 11:59pm (PDT/PST) on Mondays after completing a chapter. For instance, if we complete Chapter 8 on a Tuesday, the MindTap assignments are due the following Monday at 11:59pm. If we finish a chapter on Thursday the MindTap module for that chapter will be due on Monday at 11:59pm. You will have a minimum of 7 days to complete the MindTap modules and in some cases longer (see course schedule and MindTap for due dates). EXEPTION: The Practice Tests are due at 11:59pm (PDT/PST) the day before the Unit Exam.
- 3) **The Chapter Review with Mastery Training** uses distributed learning principles thus distributes your practice of the chapter questions to maximize learning. **To do well in this course you need to start on the Chapter Review & Mastery Trainings on the first day the corresponding chapter is assigned and keep practicing them for the exam.**
- 4) You must achieve a minimum mastery of 1.5 for each Chapter Review to get full credit. However, I highly encourage you to set your goal higher (at least 2) in order to do better on the exams.
- 5) You can do the Chapter Review & Mastery Training until you reach your desired Mastery level (max level is 5) or until the Unit closes (11:59pm (PDT/PST), the evening of the Unit Exam).
- 6) You can do the Practice Exams as many times as you want to, and your best score will be the one used. I highly recommend that you compete the Chapter Practice Exam at least once the week the corresponding chapter is assigned and keep practicing them for the exam.
- 7) Chapter Practice Exams close at 11:59pm (PDT/PST), the day of the Unit Exam.

3) Developmental Observation Project (25% of total course grade):

Writing and application of psychological principles to life are important skills to develop in the field of psychology. To gain experience in applying the knowledge of developmental psychology and to demonstrate an understanding of the development of another person there will be Developmental Observation Project (worth 25% of your total course grade) in which you will take on the role of a researcher conducting observational research (a case study) or assessment. You will find a someone to observe, observe them, take field notes of observed and reported behavior, then write a paper analyzing and interpreting your observations in relation to theory.

4) Theory Papers (10% of total course grade):

To aid the development of your writing and critical thinking skills, integrate and apply theoretical concepts, and prepare for the observation project there will be two (2) theory

papers (each worth 5% of your final grade for a total of 10%). You will be asked to evaluate the development of another person, in terms of theories of development. These will also provide practice for the observation project.

All papers must be submitted as Word (.doc; .docx) or rich text (.rtf) files in Canvas by 11:59pm on the due date indicated on the course schedule, Canvas, and the assignment instructions. **PDF files will not be accepted and will be given a grade of zero (0).**

Grading Scale:

Cutoffs for other grades are 90%, 80%, 70% and 60% of I reserve the option of using +/- grading for those scores that fall close to the cutoffs.

Grading Scale	Percentage of Total Course Grade
Exams (4 x 10%)	40%
MindTap (25%)	25%
Developmental Observation Project	25%
Theory Papers (2 x 5%)	10%
Total Course Grade	100%

**Points/assignments could change depending on circumstances.*

Grades and what they mean:

Percentage	Grade	Meaning
90% and above	A	Distinguished or Exceptional
80% to 89.99%	B	Superior
70% to 79.99%	C	Average or Minimal Expectation
60% to 69.99%	D	Below Average
59.99% or less	F	Failing

Policies and Procedures

1) Late Work/Make-Up Exams

- a. There is enough time to do all assignments if you employ good time management; therefore, late work is NOT accepted except in **extreme** cases (see examples in bullet below) and must be approved by me BEFORE the work is due. Approved late work will be marked down by 15% for each day it is late. For example, if you turn an assignment 1 day late the best you can get on it is 85%, 2 days late is 70%, and 3 days late the most points you can earn on an assignment is 55%.
- b. There are no make-up exams except in **extreme** cases. Examples of extreme cases include:
 - Death of an immediate family member (with proof, such as an obituary, funeral card, etc.)
 - In-patient hospitalization (going to a hospital or doctor for a cold or the flu is not extreme. You must be admitted and provide proof)
 - Positive Covid test or Covid exposure requiring isolation/quarantine (must be reported to the office of Academic Affairs at: coronavirus@lcsc.edu or 208-792-2002)

- c. In any case, I **must** be notified **prior** to the beginning of class period during which the test is given for a make-up to be possible. Make-ups are taken in the Testing Center in the Library building, 161. The Testing Center requires an appointment. A 24-hr notice and ID are required (208-792-2100, 1-800-879-0453, testing@lcsc.edu). Do **NOT** to leave for home or vacation before any test and expect to take it early. I do not allow tests to be taken early. If English is not your first language, you may use a web-based translation dictionary by taking your tests at the Testing Center. Please arrange this through me ahead of time.

2) Class Format

- a. Classes each week will include the readings, lectures, class discussion, MindTap assignments and may include videos, application assignments, writing assignments. The reading listed on the course schedule should be completed **BEFORE** you come to class and before you do the quizzes and assignments.
- b. Instructional delivery will be a mixture of methods, but will primarily consist of lectures, videos, and readings from the text book.
- c. This course requires at least six (6) to (9) hours a week of concentrated study hours outside of class focused on reading, homework, and studying for exams.
 - i. The general rule of thumb is that you should expect to spend two (2) – three (3) hours a week, per credit, for each class you take. This class is 3 credits so 2-3 hrs. x 3 credits = 6-9 hours. Use this formula to improve your time management and schedule your study time for all of your classes.
 - ii. If you are committing this much time to studying and you see no improvements in your grades, please see me ASAP to discuss and improve your study strategy.
- d. **The happiest and most successful students in this course will work conscientiously, manage their time, and read the syllabus and course schedule carefully and often!**

3) How to Get Help

- a. If you have questions about day-to-day matters, *first check the syllabus*. It is very thorough and most likely contains the answers you seek.
- b. If you have questions about class material, you may email a professional, scholarly question to me at: emcarstensnamie@lcsc.edu or the TA for this course, Elise Hogaboam at: ejhogaboam@lcmail.lcsc.edu. Put your class name in the email heading so you are not accidentally classified as a spammer.
- c. In-person, telephone, and/or video chat sessions can be arranged upon request for important class issues or if your question is lengthy and/or complex.
- d. In this course, as in all college courses, your email communications should be professional. The professor is funny/cool/understanding; however, remember that university is training for life. As such, unprofessional emails are not acceptable. Remember the following when communicating by email in this course, or any other university course:
 - i. Include a greeting (“Dear Professor Carstens Namie”),
 - ii. a body (“I am contacting you today in regard to…”),
 - iii. and a salutation (“Thank you for your time”).
 - iv. Use your full name after the salutation.
 - v. Refrain from the use of slang.
 - vi. Always write in complete sentences.
 - vii. Do not say anything you would not say to your boss.
 - viii. Be brief and succinct.

4) Important Notes:

- a. **Extra credit (earn up to 4% of your total course grade):** There are two (2) options for extra credit in this course. 1) You may earn bonus points of up to 2% of your total course grade for participating in a (just one) **service activity** and, 2) earn bonus points of up to 2% of your total course grade for a (just one) **learning event** and submitting a paper about each.
- Each paper needs to be a 1-page (minimum length) summary of the activity/event, your reaction to it, and relate it to class, i.e., psychology and something you have learned through or covered in this class and relate it to your life.
 - Papers must be formatted in APA style: 1-2 pages double spaced, 1-inch margins, 12 pt New Times Roman font and must include a title page, page numbers, and the paper title at top of first page of writing – bold, centered to page (an example of formatting will be provided).
 - All papers must be submitted as Word (.doc; .docx) or rich text (.rtf) files. **PDF files will not be accepted and will be given a grade of zero (0).**
 - Papers must be submitted through Canvas, by 11:59 p.m. Sunday, May 7, 2023.**

There may also be other opportunities for bonus points, including participating in research, but please take advantage of them when they are available, because there are no guarantees about timing or availability. **Extra credit opportunities CANNOT be submitted after their due dates.**

- b.** It is the students' responsibility to ensure that all assignments are completed and properly submitted as Word (.doc; .docx), or rich text (.rtf) files on Canvas. **NO PDFs - assignments turned in in PDF format will get a grade of zero (0).**
- c.** Back up your important files, keep duplicates on jump drives, and do whatever you can to protect your work. Late work, lost work, and "the dog ate my homework" are not excusable in the work world. Back it up and have alternative ways to store your data!

Please feel free to stop by my office, call, or e-mail, if you need any assistance.

PSYC 205-01 & 205-02 / SPRING 2023
Life-Span Development Psychology
Tentative Course Schedule
 (Subject to change at professor's discretion)

The course will not cover all chapters and not in order so read the course schedule carefully. Use this schedule to organize your time to read the text and assigned readings, review the posted lessons, and complete the assignments and quizzes.

Week #	Class #	Day	Dates	Topic
1			Mon. Jan. 16 - Sun. Jan. 22	
	1	Tues	Jan. 17	Intro & Welcome
	2	Thurs	Jan. 19	Ch 1: Understanding Life-Span Human Development: How Should We Think about Development (pp. 3-10); What is the Science of Life-Span Development? (pp. 10-14)
2			Mon. Jan. 23 - Sun. Jan. 29	
		<i>Monday</i>	<i>Jan. 23</i>	<i>DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): MindTap Getting Started Unit</i>
	3	Tues	Jan. 24	Ch 1: Understanding Life-Span Human Development: How is Development Studied? (pp. 14-26); What Special Challenges Do Developmental Scientists Face? (pp.26-28)
	4	Thurs	Jan. 26	Ch 2: Theories of Human Development: Developmental Theories & Issues (pp. 31-35); Psychoanalytic Theory (pp. 35—40)
3			Mon. Jan. 30 - Sun. Feb. 5	
		<i>Monday</i>	<i>Jan.30</i>	<i>DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 1 MindTap assignments</i>
	5	Tues	Jan. 31	Ch 2: Theories of Human Development: Learning Theories (pp. 40-46); Piaget: Cognitive Development Theory (pp. 46-50); Theories in Perspective (pp. 53-56)
	6	Thurs	Feb. 2	Introduce/Assign: Theory Paper #1 Ch 5: Body, Brain, & Health: Building Blocks of Growth & Lifelong Health (pp. 127-133);

4			Mon. Feb. 6 - Sun. Feb. 12	
		Monday	Feb. 6	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 2 MindTap assignments
	7	Tues	Feb. 7	Decoding APA Ch 5: Body, Brain, & Health: The Infant (pp. 133-137); The Child (pp. 137-142); The Adolescent (pp. 142-151); The Adult (pp. 151-162)
	8	Thurs	Feb. 9	Exam 1 Prep Game
5			Mon. Feb. 13 - Sun. Feb. 19	
		Monday	Feb. 13	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 5 MindTap assignments
	9	Tues	Feb. 14	Exam 1: Chapters 1, 2, 5, & APA
	10	Thurs	Feb. 16	Introduce Developmental Observation Project Ch 11: Self & Personality: Conceptualizing the Self & Personality (pp. 333-336); The Infant (pp. 337-340); The Child (pp. 341-342);
		Sunday	Feb. 19	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Signed consent form for Developmental Observation Project
6			Mon. Feb. 20 - Sun. Feb. 26	
	11	Tues	Feb. 21	Ch 11: Self & Personality: The Adolescent (pp. 343-348); The Adult (pp. 349-361) **Review Exam 1 Results
	12	Thurs	Feb. 23	Ch 7: Cognition: Piaget's Constructivist Approach (pp. 201-207); Vygotsky's Sociocultural Perspective (pp. 207-211); Fischer's Dynamic Skill Framework (pp. 211-212); The Infant (pp. 213-216)
7			Mon. Feb. 27 - Sun. Mar. 5	
		Monday	Feb. 27	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 11 MindTap assignments
	13	Tues	Feb. 28	Ch 7: Cognition: The Child (pp. 216-220); The Adolescent: (pp. 220-226); The Adult (pp. 226-229)
	14	Thurs	Mar. 2	Peer Review: Theory Paper #1
		Sunday	Mar. 5	DUE @ 11:59pm (PDT): Theory Paper #1

8			Mon. Mar. 6 - Sun. Mar. 12	
		Monday	Mar. 6	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 7 MindTap assignments
	15	Tues	Mar. 7	Introduce/Assign: Theory Paper #2 Ch 9: Intelligence & Creativity: Defining Intelligence & Creativity (pp. 265-273); The Infant (pp. 273-274); The Child (pp.274-277) The Adolescent (pp. 277-279)
	16	Thurs	Mar. 9	Ch 9: Intelligence & Creativity: The Adult (pp. 279-286) Factors the Influence IQ Scores over the Life Span (pp. 286-291); The Extreme of Intelligence (pp. 291-295)
9			Mon. Mar. 13 - Sun. Mar. 19	
		Monday	Mar. 13	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 9 MindTap assignments
	17	Tues	Mar. 14	Exam 2 Prep Game
	18	Thurs	Mar. 16	Exam 2: Chapters 11, 7, & 9
10			Mon. Mar. 20 - Sun. Mar. 26	
	19	Tues	Mar. 21	Ch 13: Social Cognition & Moral Development: Social Cognition (pp. 399-406); Perspectives on Moral Development (pp. 407-412); The Infant (pp. 412-415)
	20	Thurs	Mar. 23	Ch 13: Social Cognition & Moral Development: The Child (pp. 416-418); The Adolescent (pp. 419-425); The Adult (pp. 425-429) **Review Exam 2 Results
11			Mon. Mar. 27 - Sun. Apr. 2	
			March 27 – April 2	NO CLASSES – SPRING BREAK
12			Mon. Apr. 3 - Sun. Apr. 9	
		Monday	April 3	DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 13 MindTap assignments
	21	Tues	April 4	Ch 8: Memory & Information Processing: Conceptualizing Memory (pp. 233-239); The Infant (pp. 239-242); The Child (pp.242-250)
	22	Thurs	April 6	Peer Review: Theory Paper #2

		Sunday	April 9	DUE @ 11:59pm (PDT): Theory Paper #2
13			Mon. Apr. 10 - Sun. Apr. 16	
	23	Tues	April 11	Ch 8: Memory & Information Processing: The Adolescent (pp. 250-252); The Adult (pp. 253-261)
	24	Thurs	April 13	Exam 3 Prep Game
14			Mon. Apr. 17 - Sun. Apr. 23	
		<i>Monday</i>	<i>April 17</i>	<i>DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapter 8 MindTap assignments</i>
	25	Tues	April 18	Exam 3: Ch 13 & 8
	26	Thurs	April 20	Ch 16: Developmental Psychopathology: What Makes Development Abnormal? (pp. 501-506); The Infant (pp. 506-510); The Child (pp. 511-517)
15			Mon. Apr. 24 - Sun. Apr. 30	
	27	Tues	April 25	Review Exam 3 Results Ch 16: Developmental Psychopathology: The Adolescent (pp. 517-524); The Adult (pp. 525-530)
	28	Thurs	April 27	Peer Review: Developmental Observation Project Papers
		Sunday	April 30	DUE @ 11:59pm (PDT): Developmental Observation Project
16			Mon. May 1 - Sun. May 7	
		<i>Monday</i>	<i>May 1</i>	<i>DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapters 16 MindTap assignments</i>
	29	Tues	May 2	Ch 17: The Final Challenge: Death & Dying: Matters of Life & Death (pp. 533-539); The Death Experience (pp. 539-543); The Infant (pp. 543-544); The Child (544-547); The Adolescent (pp. 548-549); The Adult (pp. 549-557); Taking the Sting out of Death (pp. 558-560)
	30	Thurs	May 4	Final Exam 4 Prep Game
		Sunday	May 7	DUE @ 11:59pm (PDT): Extra Credit papers: Learning event & service event
17			Mon. May 8 - Sun. May 12	FINALS WEEK
		<i>Monday</i>	<i>May 8</i>	<i>DUE @ 11:59pm (PST): Chapters 17 MindTap assignments</i>

	Final			Exam 4: Ch 16 & 17
Section	205-02	Tues	May 9	10:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.
Section	205-01	Thurs	May 11	9:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.