



AP PSYCHOLOGY

2019-2020

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WHAT WE WILL LEARN



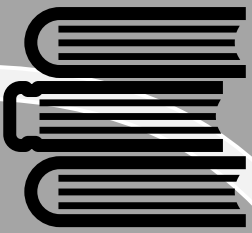
The purpose of AP® Psychology is to introduce students to the systematic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields within psychology. A variety of activities, demonstrations, and projects will be provided to meet this goal of instructing scientific and empirical approaches.

DISCUSSION



During the semester, we will be discussing issues and topics on which people may have strong opinions and, in some cases, may be controversial. These topics include, but are not limited to: race, gender, sex, and social class. During these discussions, it is imperative that you are civil and respectful to your peers. Sexist, racist, classist, homophobic, and intolerant comments will not be tolerated.

WORKLOAD



The amount of work depends on the unit being covered in class. Each unit could consist of online multiple-choice installments, completion of concept maps, participation in class demonstrations, readings, in-class group projects, class discussions, research critiques, FRQs and other assessments.

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED



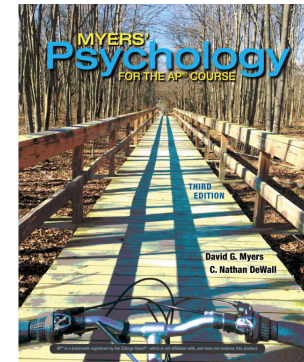
- I will update the Google Classroom daily, here students can find all the assignments, notes and Presentations.
- If you need to contact me email is the best way to get ahold of me, general response time is under 24 hours.
- Office Hours: By appointment before and after school Tuesday/Thursday

COURSE OBJECTIVES

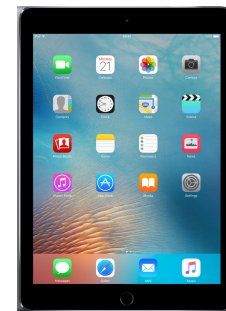
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1. Students will study the major core concepts and theories of psychology. They will be able to identify terms and use them in their everyday vocabulary.
2. Students will prepare to take college classes.
3. Students will learn the basic skills of psychological research and be able to apply psychological concepts to their own lives.
4. Students will prepare to succeed on the AP Psychology Exam.
5. Students will develop critical thinking skills.
6. Students will problem solve using higher order thinking
7. Students will write, read and collaborate effectively.

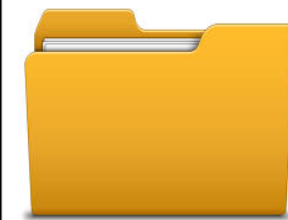
REQUIRED MATERIALS



Access the textbook "[Myers' Psychology for AP 3rd Edition](#)" via the google classroom "about" page.



You will need your iPad almost every day in this class. It needs to be charged and ready to go when the bell rings.



Optional Physical note taking tools e.g. Folder w/ loose leaf paper.

If you would like to contribute to communal classroom supplies please bring one of the following:

- Box of Kleenex***
- Three Pens
- Three Sharpened Pencils
- Old Lego sets

REQUIRED APPS



Google Drive



Google Slides



Google Classroom



Google Docs



Nearpod



Quizlet

There may be more apps that you will need to download later

POLICIES

No phones during lecture
 No cheating
 Be on task
 Respect everyone

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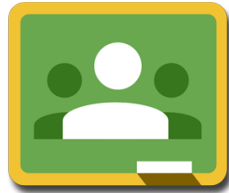
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GOOGLE CLASSROOM



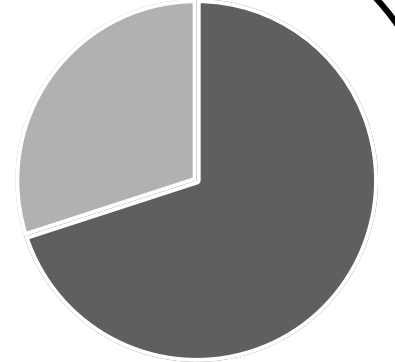
All work in this class is assigned and turned in via google classroom.

- Any work done digitally will be attached to the assignment post
- Any work that is done by hand will be turned in by taking a picture and uploading the attachment to the assignment.

MAJOR GRADES



Students will be given in-class exams throughout each unit. These assessments will consist of AP-style multiple choice questions and Free Response Questions modeled from past AP exams. Projects and FRQs will be graded based on rubrics and guidelines provided in class.



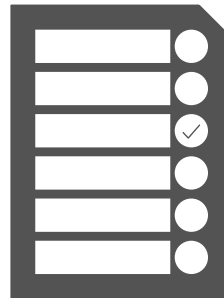
DAILY GRADES



Students will be asked to demonstrate understanding of key concepts through the completion of unit specific performance-based assessments. These projects could include journals, practice FRQs, concept maps, video projects, Google Classroom multiple choice questions, etc.

- Major Grades 70%
- Daily Grades 30%

ASSIGNMENTS



All assignments for the unit are **due** @ 11:59 PM the night before the unit test

- **Unit Guide** - Outlines the Big Questions, vocabulary, learning targets, people to know, and gives a breakdown of topics
- **Quizlet** is how we will complete vocabulary terms and assessment.
 - You must complete the assigned deck using the "Learn" study tool.
- **Quiz**
- **Exams** will be given at the end of each unit and will consist of 30-45 multiple choice questions and one six bullet free-response question (FRQ) (simulating the AP Exam).

Extra Credit opportunities

- **Reading guide** (ECRG) that you can complete once per unit for 1 Daily grade.
- [Albert.io](https://www.albert.io) is a phenomenal review tool that we use extensively in this class.

LATE AND MAKE-UP WORK

The instructor reserves the right to deal with specific late work and make-up work issues on a case by case basis. The general rules that will apply are as follows:



- Regular attendance is vital to your success in this class. Even if you miss class, you are expected to complete work that was done in class AND any work that was assigned.
- If you are absent, it is YOUR responsibility to download the work & notes you missed which are posted on google classroom every day.
- If you **miss a test** you have up to 5 days to make it up (*based on # of absences.*)
- **Quizlet/ECRG/Albert IO** are NOT accepted late, if you miss the deadline it is a zero
- The only exception for late work will be documented illness or extenuating circumstance (e.g. a death in the family).

TEST RETAKES

You may retake any exam (not a long term project) if the following provisions are met:

- Each student must make an appointment with me to review his or her test.
- You have 5 days from the date of receiving your grade to conference for a retest.
 - A conference and retest may not happen in the same day. Conference...Study...Retest!
 - If a student fails to meet an appointment for a conference or retest, the grade will remain from the original test.

Students may earn back a maximum of a 70 on a retest.

GRADING SCALE

100 90 80 70

A

B

C

D

Unit Title	EXAM
Unit 5: Cognitive Psychology	09/11 09/25
Unit 1: Scientific Foundations of Psychology (Research)	10/16
Unit 9: Social Psychology	11/06
Unit 2: Biological Bases of Behavior	11/20
Fall Final	
Unit 3: Sensation and Perception	01/22
Unit 4: Learning	02/12
Unit 6: Developmental Psychology	03/04
Unit 8: Clinical Psychology	04/08
Unit 7: Motivation, Emotion, and Personality	04/22
AP Exam Review	
AP EXAM	05/12

Tests on Wednesdays