Psychology - Course Syllabus

Description:
This course introduces high school students to the study of psychology and helps them master fundamental concepts in research, theory, and human behavior. Students analyze human growth, learning, personality, and behavior from the perspective of major theories within psychology, including the biological, psychosocial, and cognitive perspectives. From a psychological point of view, students investigate the nature of being human as they build a comprehensive understanding of traditional psychological concepts and contemporary perspectives in the field. Course components include an introduction to the history, perspectives, and research of psychology; an understanding of topics such as the biological aspects of psychology, learning, and cognitive development; the stages of human development; aspects of personality and intelligence; the classification and treatment of psychological disorders; and psychological aspects of social interactions.

Textbook: Psychology Boundless 4.0

Course objectives:
- Compare and contrast the field of psychology with other social and physical sciences.
- Describe social learning and discuss factors that influence socially learned behavior.
- Define sensation and describe the study of psychophysics.
- Identify brain structures and various factors influencing memory formation.
- Summarize the nature versus nurture debate.
- Define personality and discuss environmental and biological influences on personality.

Contents:

**Semester A**
- Ch 1 Introduction to Psychology
- Ch 2 Researching Psychology
- Ch 3 Biological Foundations of Psychology
- Ch 4 Sensation and Perception
- Ch 5 States of Consciousness
- Ch 6 Learning
- Ch 7 Memory
- Ch 8 Cognition
- Ch 9 Language
- Ch 10 Intelligence

**Semester B**
- Ch 11 Motivation
- Ch 12 Emotion
- Ch 13 Human Development
- Ch 14 Gender and Sexuality
- Ch 15 Personality
- Ch 16 Stress and Health Psychology
- Ch 17 Psychological Disorders
- Ch 18 Social Psychology
- Ch 19 Social Psychology
- Ch 20 Workplace Psychology

Grading Scale

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