

ONLINE COURSE INFORMATION

Summer 2021 Semester

COURSE: PSYCH 151 L1

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General Psychology

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There are many benefits of online courses at MCCC:

- · Less restrictive scheduling
- Convenience
- Intensive self-study
- Course materials are accessible 24 hours a day 7 days a week

Some students struggle in an online format while other students excel. Students who excel in an online format are:

- ➤ Highly self-motivated
- > Have strong computer skills
- Possess good time management skills
- > Know how to study independently
- > Possess good communication skills

Online classes at MCCC are **NOT self-paced**. Instruction is delivered in an entirely webbased format. Students must complete exams, assignments, etc. by specified due dates. Some exams and assignments may be required to be completed at an authorized location as established by the instructor.

When taking an online class students are responsible for:

- A reliable computer with Internet access and Microsoft Word; course specific software will be described below
- Knowing how to email attachments
- Maintaining his or her own computer and Internet connection; technical issues are NOT acceptable excuses for not keeping up with due dates
- Having access to a printer if needed for personal use of online materials

It is the student's responsibility to log into Brightspace multiple times each week to keep up with communication, assignments and other coursework.

Brightspace

Online courses use Brightspace course management system as the means of communication between the students and the instructor.

It is the student's responsibility to be able to log into Brightspace and maintain his or her computer setup to work properly with Brightspace.

The Brightspace Login can be found on the College's webpage, www.monroeccc.edu.

Brightspace courses are made available to students on the day the course begins. Please see the Start Date below.

MCCC Student Email

It is essential that online students use their MCCC student email account. This will be the primary means of email communication between you and your instructor. For more information about activating your MCCC student email account, visit the college's webpage at www.monroeccc.edu.

NEED HELP?

BRIGHTSPACE HELP DESK: 734.384.4328

or elearning@monroeccc.edu

COLLEGE EMAIL: 734-384-4328

WEBPAL: 734-384-4333

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an overview of major subject areas in psychological science. We will explore several areas of psychology in two key ways: by understanding how scientific knowledge and principles are generated and evaluated and by exploring the implications of psychology's findings. Principles of scientific investigation, including scientific theories, hypotheses, methods and evaluating results will be applied to the study of human behavior and experience, spanning content areas ranging from cellular to ecological, including biological psychology, sensation, perception, human development, cognition, learning, motivation, emotion, stress and social processes. We will also apply this knowledge and these skills to psychology and other subjects. The course is designed to prepare students for future psychology classes and to enhance critical thinking skills for other academic studies, for careers and for everyday life.

The complete Outline of Instruction can be found at http://www.monroeccc.edu/outlines/.

COURSE BEGINS

Monday, May 10, 2021

Course Ends

Saturday, July 3, 2021

REGISTRATION

Students must register for the course through the College's regular registration process.

If you are a first-time online student at MCCC you must complete an online orientation course (ONL-001). You will be automatically enrolled into the online orientation course, which will provide you with critical information on the technical, study, reading and writing skills necessary to be a successful online student. This course will be listed in your MyCourses module in Brightspace and there will be 4 modules to complete. Please note that all four modules will NOT be visible when you first login, but will become visible once you complete the requirements for each module. Please complete **SU2021-ONL-001-L1 by May 7, 2021**. Failure to complete the online orientation by the above date may result in <u>deregistration from your Summer 2021 online course</u>.

PROCTORED EXAMS OR ASSIGNMENTS

PROCESS

None, all coursework is completed online.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: PROCTORED EXAMS OR ASSIGNMENTS

Some online classes require students to take exams at authorized, proctored locations. Test proctoring centers are authorized testing locations where a staff person administers a test or assignment. If students are not able to arrange transportation to MCCC's main campus for testing, a proctored test site must be arranged. Students near the MCCC campus can take the test in the Testing Center. Additional information on the Testing Center can be found at https://www.monroeccc.edu/testing. It is the student's responsibility to make arrangements for proctoring with his or her instructor. Students should also be aware that some testing sites have service fees, which are the responsibility of the student.

COURSE MATERIALS AND TEXTBOOK INFORMATION Textbook information can be found on the MCCC Bookstore's webpage, http://www.monroeccc.edu/bookstore/. Textbook information is posted approximately one month prior to the beginning of the semester. If you plan to purchase the text from a vendor other than the MCCC Bookstore, please note the Text's ISBN to get the required materials. IMPORTANT: Please ensure you are validating the entire course name and number when searching for and selecting books to purchase on the Bookstore website. Required texts for classes can vary depending on instructors or if the classes are being held online.

Please contact the MCCC Bookstore for additional information, 734.384.4140.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS

The online course has deadlines and online assignments due throughout the semester. There is something due every week. This summer term goes twice as fast as the fall and winter terms. Students should anticipate reading, studying, and completing assignments requiring approximately **16-20** hours per week.

Students must submit assignments as Word documents. In addition, students will be expected to participate in discussions on various topics throughout the semester. There will also be on-line, timed exams that require a *Respondus Lockdown browser*, and these are only available on particular days. Please check the course schedule for exam days.

Browser Requirements:

Desktop Support

	Browser	Supported Browser Version(s)	Maintenance Browser Version(s)
	Microsoft® Edge	Latest	N/A
	Mozilla® Firefox®	Latest, ESR	N/A
	Google® Chrome™	Latest	N/A
	Apple® Safari®	Latest	N/A

BRIGHTSPACE SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

For the most current Brightspace operating system and browser requirements, please go to

https://documentation.brightspace.com/EN/brightspace/requirements/all/browser support.htm?Highlight=browser and access the Desktop support section.

Software Requirements

Download/access web-based Microsoft Office applications:

- 1. Go to www.monroeccc.edu and click CURRENT STUDENTS
- 2. Next click on EMAIL from the list of links on the left, it will open another window

- 3. Click EMAIL LOGIN, then log in with your entire MCCC email address (e.g., tperson23456@my.monroeccc.edu) and your email password, which initially is your seven-digit student ID#.
- 4. Click on the **9-dot square** in the upper left corner next to the word "Outlook", some Office Suite icons appear
- 5. Click on the **Office 365 with an arrow** link, more Office Suite icons appear
- 6. Finally, click on the **Install Office link** and follow the instructions *NOTE there are links in the instructions if you have difficulties installing the software. Please use those links to resolve any possible installation issues.

FYI - You will not be able to download Microsoft Office until the first day of the semester.

Other System Recommendations

- Broadband internet connection
- Webcam

COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS

PC or Mac computer systems with Windows 10 is required.

Chromebook Use Limitations: Chromebooks cannot be used for courses requiring Microsoft Office applications (e.g., CIS 130, CIS 109, etc.). Additionally, Chromebooks may not work with when taking quizzes requiring *Respondus Lockdown browser* in *Brightspace*.

Mac Computer Use Limitations: The Microsoft Access application does not work on a Mac.

COURSE SPECIFIC SOFTWARE

Microsoft Word 2016 or higher software and experience using Microsoft Word. Microsoft Works (.wks, .wps, or .wdb) files, .rar compressed files, and .pages are NOT acceptable. Google docs are also not acceptable.

There will be lectures presented using Power Point slides.

You can download a complete Microsoft Office Suite (including Word and Power Point) through your college email/outlook.

Please note that this course uses the <u>Respondus Lockdown Browser</u>, and so students will not be able to take tests on chromebooks or some other notebooks.

WHERE DO STUDENTS START

On **Monday, May 10** the course will open. On that day, you should log into the class on Brightspace. Please see the announcement and go to "Content" and "Start Here." You will find the course syllabus, assignments and further instructions.

OTHER INFORMATION

Students need to have a willingness to learn Brightspace technology independently and to engage in effective problem-solving. Students are assumed to be able to work independently and to be competent in using computer hardware / software. Course participation is required and deadlines are strictly enforced.

Please see section above on Computer Requirements and note that Chromebooks will not be sufficient for this class. Students need a laptop or desktop computer. If students do not own one of these devices, students may supplement their technology by using the open computer lab at MCCC's main campus in Founders Hall (outside of F-160).

When you have questions, please email Melissa Grey at mgrey@monroeccc.edu.

To login to **Brightspace, E-mail, or WebPal**, go to <u>www.monroeccc.edu</u> and click on CURRENT STUDENTS on the menu bar, then click on Brightspace, email, or WebPal from the links that appear on the left side of the screen.

Brightspace - Login to Brightspace using your unique MCCC Webpal username (i.e., the first part of your MCCC email address) and 7-digit student ID number for your password (or whatever password you use for your MCCC college email account). You should be able to access Brightspace 24 hours after registering for a course. Courses are not available in Brightspace until the first day of the semester.

STUDENT LOGIN INFORMATION

E-mail - Your email address is your MyWebPal user name followed by @my.monroeccc.edu (i.e. <u>jsmith12345@my.monroeccc.edu</u>). Your password is your seven-digit student ID number (including leading zeros).

WebPal - You need a WebPAL user ID and a password to access WebPAL. Your WebPAL user ID is usually your first initial and last name (i.e. Mary Smith = msmith). To find your user ID, click on "What's My User ID?" on the WebPAL home page. Your initial password is your six-digit birthdate (i.e. January 1, 1970 = 010170). After logging on the first time, WebPAL will ask you to change your password. If you are a returning student and can't remember your password, click on "What's My Password?" on the WebPAL home page, then choose "Reset my password." If you have an e-mail address on file, WebPAL will send you a new password.

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