



Welcome to ITV - The Week-End College!
You are enrolled in:

Psychology 1 (7955)
(UC: CSU) 3 Units

Psychology: The Human Experience

Survey course introducing modern psychology by presenting scientific and humanistic interpretations of the human mind and behavior. Topics to be covered are: biological bases of behavior, perception, learning, personality and social influences.

The Weekend College classes combine video lessons and online activities with weekend class meetings. You should complete all three components to successfully pass the class. The course requirements are in the online syllabus. If you have questions contact your instructor via email or by telephone during their office hours listed above.

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Office Hours
 Wednesdays, 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Getting Started

Even though you do not meet with your instructor until the first weekend of the semester, your class begins online Monday, September 2, 2008. Follow the checklist below to get started in your class now.

1. Choose a Campus

Select the campus to attend your weekend class and make note of its time and location.

2. Buy Your Books

The back of this page lists the required and recommend books for your course. Buy your books as soon as possible so that you can get started on your assigned readings. Textbooks can be purchased at City, Southwest, Mission, Valley, and Pierce Colleges or from most online bookstores.

3. Log In

The class website opens **Sept. 2**, log in and read your course syllabus. It will list all assignments and quizzes times and due dates. You can find log in instructions on the last page of this letter.

4. Email Your Instructor

Once you have logged in, email your instructor and let her know that you have successfully logged in to the class website.

5. Plan Your Schedule

Weekend College courses are fast paced—covering a lot of material in a short period of time. At a minimum, you can expect to spend 10 to 12 hours per week completing the assignments. Schedule time in advance for reading the textbooks, watching the video episodes, and completing the online assignments. If you plan to watch or record the videos on the educational cable channel LA 36, also note those times and set the timer on your Tivo or DVD recorder in advance. You can find the broadcast schedules on the back of this page

Classroom Location Schedule

Attend class at any one of the four campuses: L.A. City, L.A. Pierce, Southwest or L.A. Valley College. The instructor teaches at all four locations.

Day	Campus	Time	Location
Saturday	Southwest College	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon	Lecture Lab., Rm. 114
	L.A. City College	1:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.	DaVinci Hall, Rm. 308
Sunday	L.A. Valley College	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon	Foreign Language Bldg., Rm. 108
	L.A. Pierce College	1:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.	Business Bldg., Rm 3206

Attendance at the class meetings is expected.
 If you fail to attend, you may be dropped from class.

Fall 2008 CALENDAR

September 2 – October 26, 2008

Important Dates and Deadlines

Last Day to Add classes by STEP or Online	Sept. 1
Semester Begins	Sept. 2
Last Day to Drop or Change Classes	Sept. 7
<i>(without Incurring Fees)</i>	
Cablecasts Begin on Cable Channel LA 36	Sept. 11
Last Day to ADD by FAX or in-person.....	Sept. 13
Last Day to Drop Classes Without a "W".....	Sept. 18
<i>(no refund)</i>	
Last Day to File for Credit/No Credit	Sept. 25
Last Day to Drop with a "W"	Oct. 13
<i>(After this date a grade must be issued)</i>	

Class Meeting Schedule

Class Meeting	Sept. 6 & 7
Class Meeting	Sept. 13 & 14
Class Meeting	Sept. 20 & 21
Midterms Exams.....	Sept. 27 & 28
Class Meeting	Oct. 4 & 5
Class Meeting	Oct. 11 & 12
Class Meeting	Oct. 18 & 19
Final Exams.....	Oct. 25 & 26

A photo ID is required to take exams.

Textbook

Required:

Title:	<u>Discovering Psychology</u>
Edition:	4/E, 2007 (Paperback)
Author:	Hockenbury, Don H.;Hockenbury, Sandra E.
Publisher:	Worth Publishers
ISBN:	0-7167-7661-8



Textbooks are available in the college libraries. Most libraries have the texts on Reserve, (two hour use, in the library) some libraries have copies in the General Collection. Individual Library Policies apply and they may be different at each campus. Generally, students must have a valid student ID *for the campus they intend to use*, to check out or use library materials. For example, to check out books from Pierce College Library students must have a valid Pierce College Student ID. Students who enrolled only in ITV classes may obtain a Mission College ID through the Admissions Office at Mission College.

Video

Psychology: The Human Experience

Four Ways to Watch the Videos

1. Available on the Los Angeles Educational Channel, LA 36. The broadcast schedule is:
Thursdays, Sept. 11 – Oct.23 @ 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
2. Purchase a complete set of the DVD's from the L.A. Pierce College Bookstore:
www.piercebookstore.com or 818-347-0313.
3. Available in Broadband at: www.lamission.edu/ITV
4. Watch the video lessons at the Learning Resource Centers at City, Pierce, Southwest, Valley, and Mission Colleges. You must bring your student ID or fee receipt to view the videos.

Dear Student:

Have you ever wondered why you take the same way to work every day?
Have you ever wondered why you seem to get involved with the same type of partner time and again?
Have you ever wondered why instructions and directions seem to be printed in consistently smaller type?
Have you ever wondered why that person is wearing cut off shorts, cowboy boots and night goggles?

If you answered yes to any of the above, or are just interested in learning more about yourself or other people, you are definitely in the right class.

Welcome to General Psychology. Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. Therefore, this class is all about **YOU**. I hope you will learn more about your actions and those of others. Unfortunately, this is an introductory class and only covers the tip of the iceberg (to borrow from Freud). We cannot cover everything in depth, but there are entire courses devoted to each area which will allow you may explore any specific area more completely. You will be learning about psychology by watching videos, reading the text, attending 7 three hour face to face class meetings, and being observant of other people.

While our **first class meeting** takes place during the weekend of **9/6 - 9/7**, the **class officially begins September 2, 2008**. You will be able to log in to the course site September 2, 2008 and begin your Introductory Assignment. Complete and submit this Assignment as soon as you can, preferably before the first class meeting. If you get confused or time crunched, bring what you have and your questions to class on 9/6 or 9/7. We will first discuss Chapter 1, so please review this chapter in your textbook. After the break, we will review how to navigate through the site and review the Introductory Assignment.

After you log in to the course site, you will find the Introductory Assignment by clicking on the Assignments tab to your left. Following these beginning assignment directions carefully will help you become more comfortable with the online portion of this course. If you are a veteran ITVer, you may find that you can quickly complete this Introductory Assignment. If you are new to ITV, you will find more detailed explanations of each part of the assignment in the Modules area. Please don't hesitate to ask for help in the Chat Room. One of your peers who is also online may be able to answer your question sooner than I. Please don't hesitate to help each other.

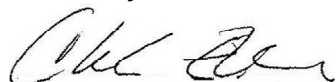
To help you get the most possible from the course, I am including the following **tips for success**:

1. Purchase all materials (including 2 small blue books, two 8225-E scantrons, two new pencils & a several packages of index cards) before the first class.
2. Sign in to the site as soon as possible after 9am on **9/2/08**.
3. After signing in, use the PM section of Discussions & Private Messages for mail; no longer use my yahoo email address.
4. Begin with the Introductory Assignment! Complete and submit it, if possible, before the first class meeting (9/6 or 9/7).
5. Use 3x5 note cards in class for notes. Bring a stack of these to class each week.
6. Review all chapters to be covered during that week's lecture before class.
7. Watch the videos that correspond to the chapters to be covered that week.
8. Complete all assignments well before the due date!

I look forward to meeting you. Please don't hesitate to send me a PM and to request help in the Chat Room. Let me know the first weekend meeting if you need help, have questions and/or need to make any special arrangements.

Always remember I am here to help you succeed.

Sincerely,



Chris Evans, M.A.
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Online Class Website

Step 1. Where do I go to log on to this course?

- Go to <http://etudes-ng.fhda.edu/portal>
- Bookmark this page!
- Enter your user ID

Step 2. What is my User ID?

In lowercase letters and with no spaces:

- use the first 2 letters of your first name
- *and* the first 2 letters of your last name
- *and* the last 5-digits of your student ID #

Example: Donna Smith:

Student ID #: 88 455 6789

User ID:

My User ID is: _____

Step 3. What is my Password?

Using four numbers together with no spaces:

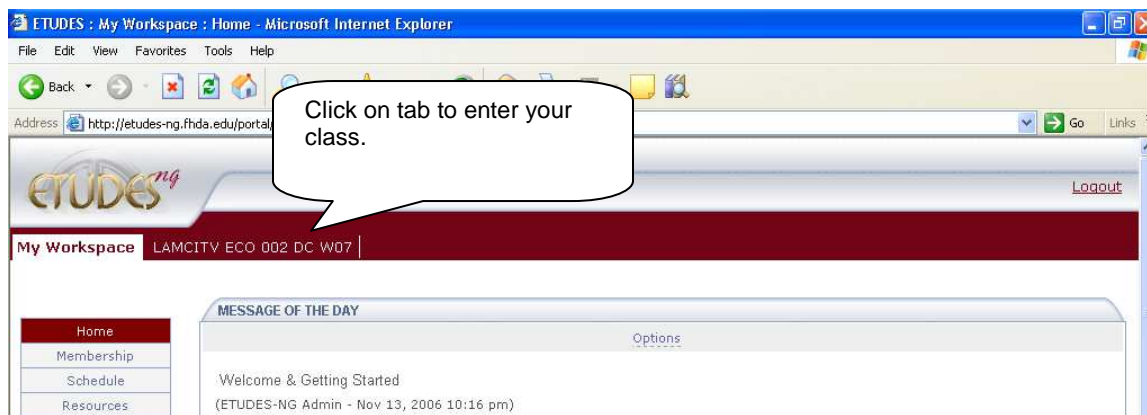
- use two numbers for your birth month
- *and* use two numbers for the birth day

Example: if your birth date was January 3

Password:

My Password is: _____

Once you have logged in you will see two sections on the top left of the page, My Workspace and on the right, your class website. Your class website begins with LAMCITYV. Click on the tab to enter the course. See the example below:



E-mail your instructor once you have successfully logged in to the course website.

NOTE TO AOL USERS: Launch either an Internet Explorer or a Netscape browser after you connect using AOL and minimize the AOL Browser. DO NOT USE THE AOL BROWSER.

Add/Drop Classes & Check Grades

Forms for adding/dropping a class or requesting an official transcript can be found at www.lamission.edu/itv. These forms can be faxed to (818) 833-3598 or brought in to our office.

To Add/Drop a class and check Official Grades online, visit www.laccd.edu.

To Add/Drop classes through the Student Telephone Enrollment Process (STEP):

1. Call (213) 689-8888 or (310) 605-0505 or (323) 226-1999 or (818) 988-2222
2. Press 0 for ITV/The Weekend College
3. Follow the instructions to complete your request

We're here to Help

If you need technical assistance logging in to your course, contact ITV Technical Support at (818) 833-3596 or send an email to mckennpg@lamission.edu. Be sure to include:

- Your full name
- Course title and instructor
- Student ID
- Your phone and e-mail address
- Date enrolled