

Effective Semester: Summer 2021

**COURSE INFORMATION****Course Title:** Theories of Personality**Course Number:** PSYC 201**Credits:** 3**Total Weeks:** 14 (Fall, Spring)  
12 (Summer)**Total Hours:** 39**Course Level:**  First Year  Second Year  
 New  Revised Course  
 Replacement Course**Department:** Social Sciences**Department Head:** A. McDougall**Former Course Code(s) and Number(s) (if applicable):** N/A**Pre-requisites (If there are no prerequisites, type NONE):** PSYC 101 and PSYC 102**Co-requisite Statement (List if applicable or type NONE):** NONE**Precluded Courses:** N/A**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The main focus of this course is on the principal theories of personality. Some relevant research will be discussed. Theoretical approaches such as psychoanalysis, behaviorism, and phenomenology will be included.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Apply course content to an understanding of the nature of personality
- Describe and critically evaluate the primary theories of personality and related research
- Describe, discuss, and analyze current personality theory including the biological and behavioural genetic positions.
- Evaluate current research underlying personality theories
- Critically evaluate opposing philosophical and psychological systems as they pertain to personality

**INSTRUCTION AND GRADING**

Instructional (Contact) Hours:

Type	Duration
Lecture	39
Seminars/Tutorials	
Laboratory	
Field Experience	
Other ( <i>specify</i> ):	
Total	39

**Grading System:** Letter Grades  Percentage  Pass/Fail  Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory  Other

**Specify passing grade:** 50%

**Evaluation Activities and Weighting** (total must equal 100%)

Assignments: 30% <i>Specify number of, variety, and nature of assignments:</i>	Lab Work: %	Participation: % <i>Specify nature of participation:</i>	Project: 10% <i>Specify nature of project:</i>
Quizzes/Test: %	Midterm Exam: 20%	Final Exam: 40%	Other: % <i>Specify:</i>

**TEXT(S) AND RESOURCE MATERIALS**

Provide a full reference for each text and/or resource material and include whether required/not required.

Hergenhahn, B.R., Olson, M.H., & Cramer, K. (latest edition). An introduction to theories of personality. Toronto: Prentice Hall. Papers assigned over the course of the semester.

**COURSE TOPICS**

List topics and sequence covered.

<b>Week</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Chapter</b>
Week 1	Introduction; Discussion of Personality	1
Week 2	Freud	2
Week 3	Jung	3
Week 4	Adler, Horney	4
Week 5	Erikson	6
Week 6	Allport	7
Week 7	<b>MIDTERM EXAM</b>	
Week 8	Cattell & Eysenck	8
Week 9	Skinner; Bandura & Mischel	7, 11
Week 10	Kelly	13
Week 11	Rogers; Maslow	14-15
Week 12	May	16
Week 13	Catchup and Review for Final	
Week 14	<b>FINAL EXAM</b>	

**NOTES**

1. Students are required to follow all College policies. Policies are available on the website at: [Coquitlam College Policies](#)
2. To find out how this course transfers, visit the BC Transfer Guide at: [bctransferguide.ca](http://bctransferguide.ca)

**Last Reviewed:** February 2024

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