

EFFECTIVE: MAY 2004 CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

A:	Division:	INSTRUCTIONAL	Effective Date:	MAY 2004	
В:	Department / Program Area:	PSYCHOLOGY FACULTY OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES	Revision X	New Course	
		SOCIAL SCIENCES	If Revision, Section(s)	N, P, Q, R	
			Revised: Date of Previous Revision:	June 2001	
			Data of Comment Davisions	November 2002	
			Date of Current Revision:	November 2003	
C :	PSYC 1	,	ES: PSYCHOLOGY OF WOMEN	E: 3	
	Subject & Co		scriptive Title	Semester Credits	
F:	Calendar Description: This course will engage in a study of the experiences, realities, and possibilities of women's lives. It will explore both the psychological origins and psychological effects of the female role. This will be discussed through critical analysis grounded in and sensitive to the every day life experience of women in industrialized societies. It will examine female diversity and development, focussing on marriage, family, work and aging.				
G:	Allocation of Contact Hours to Type of Instruction / Learning Settings Primary Methods of Instructional Delivery and/or Learning Settings: Lecture		H: Course Prerequisites: NONE		
			I: Course Corequisites: NONE		
	Number of Conteach descriptor)	tact Hours: (per week /semester for	J: Course for which this C	Course is a Prerequisite	
	Lecture:	4 hrs. per week / per semester	NONE		
	Number of Weeks per Semester: 15		K: Maximum Class Size:		
			35		
L:	PLEASE INDICATE:				
	Non-Credit				
	College Credit Non-Transfer				
	X College	Credit Transfer:			
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M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of the course the student will be able to:

- 1. List the major theoretical approaches of the socialization of women.
- 2. Discuss the development and maintenance of male/female roles.
- 3. Discuss past and current responses to sexist stereotypes.
- 4. Discuss the diversity of the female role within the social context, the home, family and workplace.
- 5. Discuss the process of aging from a theoretical position.
- 6. Understand health issues and concerns of females over the adult age span.
- 7. Redefine the female experience in light of changes within the past 10-15 years, with regards to feminist activism

N: Course Content

- 1. Theories and Mechanisms of Socialization
 - a) The dynamics of patriarchy: The role of myth in the development and maintenance of roles.
 - b) Equality and power in the male/female relationship
 - c) Feminist responses to sexist stereotypes
- 2. Consciousness: Concepts of the Female Experience From the Infant to the Aging Adult (0-100+)
 - a) Female diversity and development
 - b) The politics of the home and the family
 - c) Women in the workplace
 - d) Health issues and the aging process
 - e) Female friendships
 - f) A gendered biology
 - g) Sexuality
 - h) Violence against women
- 3. Images and Visions of the Female Experience
 - a) Redefining the female experience within psychology
 - b) Innovative changes within psychology
 - c) Feminist activism within psychology

O: Methods of Instruction

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	Methods of Instruction (cont'd.)			
	3. Images and Visions of the Female Experier a) Redefining the female experience b) Innovative changes within psychology c) Feminist activism within psychology	within psychology logy		
P:	Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students			
	A text such as:			
	Crawford, M. and Unger, R. (2000). <i>Women and Gender: A Feminist Psychology (3rd Ed.)</i> . Boston: McGraw-Hill.			
	and/or			
A course pack of prepared readings of peer-reviewed theoretical and empirical primary sources (journ selected from PsycInfo and chapters drawn from academic press)				
Q:	Evaluation will be carried out in accordance with Douglas College policy. Evaluation will be based on cours objectives and will include some of the following: quizzes, multiple choice exams, essay type exams, term paper or research project, class participation, seminar discussion, and oral presentation. A specific evaluation criteria will be provided by the instructor at the beginning of the semester.			
	First Test Second Test Third Test Essay Progress Report (Required/No Grade) Research Essay Scholarly Engagement during Class	25% 25% 25% - 20% 		
R:	Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition: specify whether course is open for PLAR			
	No			
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