

## **Syllabus: Lifespan Psychology**

Course Number: Psyc 2314

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Textbook: *Discovering the Lifespan 3rd Edition* by Robert Feldman REQUIRED

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### **Student Learning Objective Outcomes for Course:**

- \*Discuss and apply basic general concepts of lifespan psychology to life situations/simulations.
- \*Understand the general connections between mind and body
- \*Discuss in general terms the major developmental theories and associated environmental factors
- \*Understand the appropriate applications of psychological principles in daily life
- \*Develop personal awareness, including awareness of values and character, as well as current and future goals
- \*Be able to use technology to further understand psychology

### **Student Requirements for Completion of the Course:**

- \*Attend class and be on time
- \*Bring book, scantron, #2 pencil, and paper to class
- \*If absent, find out what was covered in class-find a class buddy
- \*Use an active college email address
- \*Turn in all work on time- NO LATE WORK ACCEPTED

### **Student Assessment**

\*Student assessment given at the end of each chapter. We will cover approximately ½ chapter per session. Evaluations/tests are given approximately every other day. Students are expected to have read the assigned material before class. I will not read the text for you. I will discuss information found in the text and add supplementary information. Much of this class is based upon discussion of information and how it relates to life. Therefore part of your grade will be based upon your class interaction and discussion.

\*Assessment may be in the form of a true/false, multiple choice, short discussion or fill in the blank test

\*All assessments will have equal weight

\*NO MAKE UP TESTS GIVEN, HOWEVER THE LOWEST GRADE WILL BE DROPPED

\*NO LATE WORK ACCEPTED

\*Research paper on assigned topic will be due on. August 10. This paper will count the weight of 2 tests. (1 grade for paper, 1 grade for presentation. THIS MAY NOT BE USED AS A DROP GRADE)

\*Class participation

### Grading Scale

**90-100=A**

**80-89=B**

**75-79=C**

**70-74=D**

**69 and below=F**

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**TURN OFF AND PUT AWAY ALL CELL PHONES WHEN ENTERING THE ROOM. You will be asked to leave the room and will not be able to return if cell phone usage is noted.**

**Respect will be shown at all times in this class. This means respect towards self, others and the environment. Disrespect and/or disruption will result in the student being asked to leave the room.**

**This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the professor.**

**Academic Dishonesty Policy:** Scholastic dishonesty, involving but not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion or falsification of records will make the student liable for disciplinary action after being investigated by the Dean of Students. Proven violations of this nature will result in the student being dropped from the class with an “F”.

This policy applies campus wide, including TC Testing Center, as well as off campus classrooms or lab sites, including dual credit campuses. This information can be found in the Student Handbook at

[https://texarkanacollege.edu/PDFfiles/Current Students/studenthandbook.pdf](https://texarkanacollege.edu/PDFfiles/Current%20Students/studenthandbook.pdf)

**Disability Act Statement:** Texarkana College complies with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and makes reasonable accommodations upon request. Please contact the Recruitment, Advisement and Retention Department at 903-823-3283 or the office in the Administration building for personal assistance.

If you have an accommodation letter from their office indicating you have a disability which requires academic accommodations, please present this to me so we can discuss the accommodations that you might need for this class. *It is best if you request these changes prior to the beginning of classes so there is ample time to make the accommodations.*

**Maximum Allowable Absences:** After official registration, the following number of unexcused absences will be the maximum allowable before a student may be dropped from the class. Mandated program certification requirements detailed for certain programs regarding the maximum allowable unexcused absences takes precedence over the following information: **For a 2 1/2 hour class which meets during a summer session, an instructor may withdraw a student from a course if absences exceed 2. Three tardies count as one absence.**

**Absentee Policy:** Texarkana College’s absentee policy allows instructors to withdraw a student from a course due to excessive absences. If a student leaves and returns during class or leaves before the class is over, he/she may be considered absent.

Faculty members are not obligated to provide opportunities for students to make-up missed assignments and tests as result of a student's absence from class. Experience demonstrates that regular attendance enhances academic success. Students are expected to attend scheduled class sessions.

A student should not stop attending a class without formally withdrawing from the course by the institution's published Last Day for Students to Drop. ( I advise you to talk to your instructor before you drop). If a student stops attending class after the published Last Day for Students to Drop, the student may receive a grade of "F" for the class. The instructor will submit the last day of attendance for students receiving a grade of "D" or "F".

Withdrawal from a course(s) may affect a student's current or future financial aid eligibility. Students should consult the Financial Aid office to learn the consequences.

**Excused Absences:** A student's absences due to TC related trips or business will not be counted against the student's allowable number of absences. Military duty and absences for Holy Days (FBD Legal) are covered by a separate section of the handbook and the catalogue. These are the only excused absences that are considered by Texarkana College. Responsibility for work missed for any absence is placed on the student. Instructors are required to allow students to make up work missed if the absence is due to military duty or religious holy day when students follow the correct notification procedures. Instructors are not required to allow students to make up work for absences due to other reasons.

**Financial Aid:** ATTENTION!!!! Dropping this class may affect your funding in a negative way. You could owe money to the college and/or to the federal government. Please check with the financial aid office before making a decision.

### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

**We care about you and want every student to succeed. We are here for you, to help you, but we cannot and will not do it for you.**

**REMEMBER: YES YOU CAN, BUT IT WILL TAKE WORK**

**Attitude counts. It is 99.9% of everything**

**Ask questions, if you do not understand**

**IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM, TALK TO ME**