

OSS017 – ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY

<i>Credit Hour Recommendation:</i> 3 Semester Hours
<i>Prerequisites:</i> Introduction to Psychology
<i>Suggested Textbook Topics:</i> College-level textbook should balance research and application while surveying major categories of psychological disturbance, as well as discuss etiology, prognosis, and treatment modalities using the current DSM as basis. A readings book of abnormal cases can supplement but is not sufficient as text.
<i>Related TAG:</i> Psychology
<i>Course Description:</i> Exploration of major categories of psychological disturbance using the current DSM as a basis. Empirical examination of etiology, prognosis, and treatment modalities.
Student Learning Outcomes marked with an asterisk (*) are considered essential and must be met:
1. Describe and evaluate the historical and cultural viewpoints, as well as current theoretical views of psychological disorders.*
2. Compare and contrast the symptoms of psychological disorders with non-pathological behaviors.*
3. Describe the clinical picture and discuss clinical assessment of each of the major psychological disorders (e.g., anxiety, somatoform, mood, personality, and psychotic disorders, as well as addictions) using the current DSM for reference.*
4. Evaluate the relevance of current and past research within clinical and counseling psychology.*
5. Distinguish myths and misconceptions from research evidence regarding psychological illness and therapy and apply research evidence to understanding of diagnosis, etiology, prognosis, and treatment of psychological disorders.*
6. Evaluate ethical issues regarding treatment and current status of treatment resources.*
7. Assess and critically analyze theories, research methods and findings (outcomes), and applications developed by psychologists and made available through textbooks, newspapers, professional and lay periodicals, and the Internet.*

**PSYCHOLOGY TAG: ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY TAG COURSE
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