Course Objectives:

To familiarize the student with:

1. the University and LAS college requirements
2. the Psychology department curriculum and requirements
3. the Psychology advising procedures, degree audits and registration procedures
4. the Psychology faculty and type of research done at ISU

Course Requirements:

In order to receive a satisfactory grade, you must:

1. **Attend and participate in ALL classes.** Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each class period. Because many of the classes involve guest speakers, late arrival may result in loss of the day’s points. Leaving early or before dismissal may also result in a loss of the day’s points or a loss of credit for attendance of Psych 201 lectures.

   If you must miss a class due to an emergency or illness, you must notify the Psych Advising office PRIOR to the class meeting time to be excused.
   (Advising office main phone: 515-294-1642 or e-mail psychadv@iastate.edu)

2. Complete **ALL** assignments

Course Materials:

1. Department of Psychology 2011-2012 Undergraduate Program booklet (purple cover)
   Or Department of Psychology 2010-2011 Undergraduate Program booklet (salmon cover)

2. ISU Psych web page: [http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/](http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/), especially the Undergraduate Program section

3. ISU Catalog web page: [http://catalog.iastate.edu/](http://catalog.iastate.edu/)
Tuesday 2:10-3:00pm, (Section B)  
Wednesday 3:10-4:00pm, (Section A)

Week 1  
August 23 & 24  
**Introduction:** Dr. Veronica Dark, Director of Undergraduate Studies  
**Topic:** Course Overview and General Procedures  
**Assignments:** Log on to Blackboard for announcements, assignments, and calendar. Read Undergrad Program Booklet (lilac cover). Respond to a question by reading the Psych Undergrad Weekly Bulletin sent via ISU e-mail; send answer to psychadv@iastate.edu from CyMail.

Week 2  
Aug 30 & Aug 31  
**Speaker:** Career Exploration Services and other speakers  
**Topic:** ISU Opportunities  
**Assignment Due:** E-mail assignment.

Week 3  
September 6 & 7  
**Speaker:** Tuesday: Dr. Madon, Wednesday: Dr. Vogel  
**Topic:** Psych 491 and 492; graduate school overview  
**Assignments:** Look up your faculty adviser’s name; attend SSVCD

Week 4  
September 13 & 14  
**Topic:** ISU/LAS/Psych requirements and degree audits  
(Bring a copy of unofficial transcript and/or degree audit from A+)

Week 5  
September 20 & 21  
**Topic:** Workday in class on Graduation Plan  
**Assignment Due:** Attendance at the SSVCD*

Week 6  
September 27 & 28  
**Topic:** Registration procedures  
**Assignment Due:** Graduation Plan**

Week 7  
October 4 & 5  
**Topic:** Final wrap-up, questions and answers, evaluations  
**Assignment Due:** Faculty adviser signature***

Week 8, Oct 11 &12  
**Speaker:** Psychology Faculty Member (TBA)

Week 9, Oct 18 & 19  
**Speaker:** Psychology Faculty Member (TBA)

Week 10, Oct 25 & 26  
**Speaker:** Psychology Faculty Member (TBA)

*Attendance will be taken at the Social Services Volunteer & Career Day on September 14th by swiping your ID card. If you are absolutely unable to attend this event, you may attend the Business/LAS/HS Career Fair in Hilton Coliseum (see instructor for permission).

**Develop a Graduation Plan. Include specific courses for the Psych major, minor and/or double major, not just ‘elective’. This plan must be TYPED and submitted on the Psych Grad Plan template. The advisers will look over the plans, make comments and return by Week 7. If it is not satisfactory, it will say “correct and submit” and must be redone to complete the assignment.

***Introduction to Faculty Adviser. Your faculty adviser’s name is posted in the red binders in the Psych Advising Office. Faculty contact information can be found in the red binder, on the Psych web page (Course Info) and posted on the Psych bulletin boards in Lago. The green assignment sheet must be completed and signed by your faculty adviser and returned to W022 Lago before you can register for S12.
Assignment Information
Psych 111

All students will be required to do the following assignments to satisfactorily pass this portion of the class.

Assignments
Due Week 2: Respond to a question given in class by reading the Psych Undergrad Weekly Bulletin sent out via ISU e-mail. Send the answer to the Aug 30 & Aug 31 psychadv@iastate.edu e-mail from your ISU e-mail account.

Due Week 5: Read the Psych 111 syllabus.
Read the Undergraduate Program booklet (salmon cover).

Due Week 5: Attend the Social Services Volunteer & Career Fair on September 14th from 10-2 pm at the Memorial Union.
September 20 & 21 Attendance will be taken as you enter the Great Hall

Due Week 6: Develop a graduation plan. This must include specific courses you could take to graduate… do NOT enter “elective” or “psych choice” in any of the blanks. The advisers will look over the plans, make comments and return the plans to you Week 7 as either “complete” or “correct & resubmit”. This plan MUST BE TYPED and submitted on the Psych template available at: http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/index.php?id=31.

Due Week 7: Introduction to your Faculty Adviser. Your faculty adviser’s name is listed in the red binders in the Psych Advising Office. Office hours and contact information are available in the binder, on the wall outside of W022 and W112 Lago, and on the ISU Psych web page. Contact your Faculty Adviser to arrange a brief meeting, or attend their office hours. Complete the green sheet and be sure to have the Faculty Adviser sign it. The meeting need not be any more than a brief introduction.

All assignments (or agreed upon make-ups) MUST be completed before students enrolled in Psych 111 are given their Registration Access Number (RAN) for the Spring semester.
Fall 2011 Semester Dates and Deadlines

August 26
By 5 p.m.
♦ Last day to process a schedule change (add, drop, or section change) on AccessPlus (if no restrictions) without a fee;
♦ Last day to process a schedule change without a fee on a pink slip (if restrictions), signature of instructor required

September 5
♦ Labor Day – NO CLASSES!

Sept 7
♦ ClubFest, 11 to 4, TBA

September 11
♦ Psych Club Picnic from 5-8 pm at Brookside Park

September 14
♦ Social Services Volunteer & Career Fair, 10 am -2 pm, Memorial Union

September 15
♦ Study Abroad Fair, 10:30 AM – 2 pm at Memorial Union

September 23
♦ Last day to drop a first-half semester course

September 28
♦ Business/LAS/Human Sciences Career Fair, 12 noon -6 pm, Hilton Coliseum

October 1
♦ Finalized Schedule of Classes for Spring 2012 will be available on-line at http://classes.iastate.edu/

October 4
♦ Last day to drop Psych 111 (10 week course)

October 14
♦ First-half-semester courses end

October 17
♦ Second-half semester courses begin (example: Lib 160)

October 20
♦ First day of registration for Spring 2012 for seniors (Oct 27 for Juniors; Nov 3 for Sophomores; Nov 10 for Freshmen)

October 28
♦ Last day to drop a full-semester course or withdraw without extenuating circumstances

November 18
♦ Last day to drop a second-half course

November 21-25
♦ Thanksgiving Break

December 12-16
♦ FINAL EXAM WEEK

A complete listing of dates is available at http://www.public.iastate.edu/~registrar/calendar/cal-fall10.shtml