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 2012-2013 Undergraduate Program booklet (yellow 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/)
Week 1
August 21 & 22

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 (yellow 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 28 & Aug 29

Speaker: Taren Crow and Nancie Guthrie
Topic: ISU Opportunities
Assignment Due: E-mail assignment.

Week 3
September 4 & 5

Speaker: Dr. Susan Cross
Topic: Psych 491 and 492; graduate school overview
Assignments: Look up your faculty adviser's name; attend Fall Volunteer Fair*

Week 4
September 11 & 12

Topic: ISU/LAS/Psych requirements and degree audits
(Bring a copy of unofficial transcript and/or degree audit from A+)

Week 5
September 18 & 19

Topic: Workday in class on Graduation Plan

Week 6
September 25 & 26

Topic: Registration procedures
Assignment Due: Graduation Plan**

Week 7
October 2 & 3

Topic: Final wrap-up, questions and answers, evaluations
Assignment Due: Faculty adviser signature***

Week 8, Oct 9 & 10
Speaker: Psychology Faculty Member (Cognitive)

Week 9, Oct 16 & 17
Speaker: Psychology Faculty Member (Counseling)

Week 10, Oct 23 & 24
Speaker: Psychology Faculty Member (Social)
Assignment Due: College or Career Writing Assignment (Details on Blackboard)

*Attendance will be taken at the Fall Volunteer Fair on September 10th by swiping your ID card. If you are absolutely unable to attend this event, you must speak with an instructor prior to the event.

**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. The assignment sheet must be completed and signed by your faculty adviser and returned to W022 Lago before you can register for S13.
Assignment Information
Psych 111

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

**Assignment 1**
Due Week 2: August 28 & August 29
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 psychadv@iastate.edu e-mail from your ISU e-mail Cymail account.

Read the Psych 111 syllabus.

**Assignment 2**
Due Week 5: September
Attend the Fall Volunteer Fair on September 10th, 10-2 at the Memorial Union.

Attendance will be taken as you enter the Great Hall by swiping ID card.

**Assignment 3**
Due Week 6: September 25 & 26
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](http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/index.php?id=31).

**Assignment 4**
Due Week 7: October 2 & 3
Introduction to your faculty adviser. Your faculty adviser’s name, office hours, and contact information are available in the red binders in the Psych Advising Office, the wall outside of W022 and W112 Lago, and on the ISU Psych webpage. Contact your Faculty Adviser to arrange a brief meeting or attend their office hours. Complete the assignment sheet and be sure to have the faculty adviser sign it. The meeting need not be any more than a brief introduction.

**Assignment 5**
Due Week 10: October 23 & 24
College or Career writing assignment. Details on Blackboard.

*Assignments one through four (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 2012 Semester Dates and Deadlines

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A complete listing of dates is available at [http://www.registrar.iastate.edu/calendar/cal-fall12.shtml](http://www.registrar.iastate.edu/calendar/cal-fall12.shtml)