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 2009-2010 Undergraduate Program booklet (orange cover)
2. ISU General Catalog 2009-2011: [http://www.public.iastate.edu/~catalog/](http://www.public.iastate.edu/~catalog/)
3. New Student Orientation Handbook (Recommended)
4. ISU Psych web page: [http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/](http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/), especially the Undergraduate Program section
Orientation to Psychology, Psych 111
152 Science I
Wednesday at 3:10

Week 1
January 13th
Topic: Course Overview and General Procedures
Introduction: Dr. Veronica Dark, Director of Undergraduate Studies

Week 2
January 20th
Topic: ISU/LAS/Psych resources
Speaker: Study Abroad representative (last 5-10 minutes of class)
Assignment Due: E-mail assignment

Week 3
January 27th
Topic: ISU/LAS/Psych requirements and degree audits
Speaker: LAS Career Service representative
Bring Psych Booklet (orange cover) and ISU Catalog to class

Week 4
February 3rd
Topic: Discussion of Psych 491 and 492 and graduate school overview
Speaker: Dr. Stephanie Madon, graduate program chair

[REMEMBER TO GO TO THE CAREER FAIR FEB. 9TH (Noon to 6 PM)]

Week 5
February 10th
Topic: “Workday” (in class) for Graduation Plan
(students must have created at least a rough draft by the end of class, Zack and/or Susan will be available for Q&A as well)
Assignment Due: 2 proofs of attendance of LAS Career Fair

Week 6
February 17th
Topic: Registration and degree audits
Assignment Due: Graduation Plan

Week 7
February 26th
Topic: Final wrap-up, questions and answers, evaluations
Assignment Due: Faculty adviser signature

Week 8
March 3rd
Speaker: Psychology Faculty Member (TBA)

Week 9
March 10th
Speaker: Psychology Faculty Member (TBA)

Week 10
March 24th
Speaker: Psychology Faculty Member (TBA)
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 January 20th psychadv@iastate.edu e-mail from your ISU e-mail account.

Read the Psych 111 syllabus.

Read the Undergraduate Program booklet (orange cover).

**Assignment**  
Due Week 4: Attend the Business & LAS Spring Career Fair, February 9th from 12-6pm at Hilton Coliseum. You must collect at least two items (brochures, etc.) from the fair, write your name on them legibly, and bring them to class.

**Assignment**  
Due Week 6: Develop a graduation plan. This must include specific courses for a minor or double major, not just ‘elective’. The advisers will look over the plans, make comments and return them Week 7. This plan must be typed and submitted on the Psych template which is available at http://www.psychology.iastate.edu/index.php?id=31 (along with the Graduation Plan Checklist).

**Assignment**  
Due Week 7: Introduction to your Faculty Adviser. Your faculty adviser’s name is listed in the red binder 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. The orange assignment sheet must be completed and signed by the faculty adviser and returned to the Psych Advising Office before you can receive your Registration Access Number (RAN).
Spring Semester Dates and Deadlines

January 15th  ♦  Last day to process a schedule change (add, drop, or section change) without a fee and signatures of instructor and adviser.
          ♦  Last day to drop or add a course “for free” via AccessPlus by 5 pm

January 18th  ♦  Martin Luther King, Jr. observation - NO CLASSES!

January 29th  ♦  Study Abroad Fair, Memorial Union, Campanile Room, 12 - 3pm

February 12th  ♦  Last day to drop a first-half semester course

January 28th  ♦  Business & LAS Spring Career Fair, Hilton Coliseum, 1 - 6pm

February 25th  ♦  Finalized Schedule of Classes for Summer and Fall 2009 will be available online at http://classes.iastate.edu/

February 23rd  ♦  Last day to drop Psych 111 (10 week course)

March 5th  ♦  First-half courses end

March 8th  ♦  Second-half semester courses begin (example: Lib 160)

March 15-19th  ♦  Spring Break

March 23rd  ♦  First day of registration for Summer and Fall 2010 for seniors. Freshmen will register mid-April.

March 26th  ♦  Last day to drop a full semester course or withdraw without extenuating circumstances

April 16th  ♦  Last day to drop a second-half course.

May 3-7th  ♦  FINAL EXAM WEEK

May 13th  ♦  Grades posted on AccessPlus

A complete listing of dates is available at http://www.public.iastate.edu/~registrar/calendar/cal-spring10.shtml