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 in the ISU Psychology Department

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 or early departure may result in loss of the day's points.

   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 2013-2014 Undergraduate Program booklet (green 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/)
4. Schedule of Classes: [www.calsses.iastate.edu](http://www.calsses.iastate.edu)
Weekly Course Information

Week 1
Aug 27 & 28

**Topic:** Course Overview and General Procedures

**Introduction:** Dr. Veronica Dark, Director of Undergraduate Studies

**Assigned:** Log on to Blackboard for announcements, assignments, and calendar. Read Undergrad Program Booklet (green cover).

Week 2
Sept 3 & 4

**Topic:** ISU Opportunities, Degree Requirements

Week 3
Sept 10 & 11

**Topic:** Degree Requirements

**Assigned:** Completed Degree Audit worksheet and Step One of Graduation Plan; Faculty Adviser Assignment – Details on Blackboard

*Sept 11: Attend the Fall Volunteer Fair (Details Below)*

Week 4
Sept 17 & 18

**Topic:** Workday in class – Graduation Plan

Week 5
Sept 24 & 25

**Topic:** Graduate School Opportunities

**Speaker:** Dr. Susan Cross

Week 6
Oct 1 & 2

**Topic:** Registration procedures

**Due:** Graduation Plan – Details on Blackboard

Week 7
Oct 8 & 9

**Topic:** Final wrap-up, questions and answers, evaluations

**Due:** Faculty Adviser Assignment

Week 8
Oct 15 & 16

**Speaker:** Psychology Faculty Member (Cognitive)

Week 9
Oct 22 & 23

**Speaker:** Psychology Faculty Member (Counseling)

Week 10
Oct 29 & 30

**Speaker:** Psychology Faculty Member (Social)
Assignment Information

REQUIRED Assignments:

Graduation Plan
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 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.

Faculty Adviser Signature
The goal of this assignment is to be introduced to your Faculty Adviser, whose name you can find in the red binder in the Psych Advising Office. Your Faculty Adviser’s office hours and contact information are available on 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 to attain their signature on the provided sheet. The meeting need not be any more than a brief introduction.

Attend the Fall Volunteer Fair
Attend the Fall Volunteer Fair on September 11th, 10-2 at the Memorial Union. Attendance will be taken as you enter the Great Hall by swiping ID card.

Additional Requirements:

You must earn at least 8 points **beyond the required assignments** to successfully complete the course! You may choose how you earn those points out of the options below:

(1 point) – Blackboard quiz covering the policies and procedures in the green program booklet. Must earn 90% to receive credit.

(4 points) – College/Career writing assignment
(3 points) – Attend Psych club event/meeting (not including the Fall Volunteer Fair; For credit, submit a one-paragraph reflection to psychadv@iastate.edu **within one week of the event**). Not repeatable for points.

(3 points) – Attend a university-sponsored lecture. For credit, submit a one-paragraph reflection to psychadv@iastate.edu **within one week of the event**. This may not also fulfill a requirement for another course. Not repeatable for points.

(3 points) – **Transfer Students**: Participate in a transfer student event put on by the Psych Peer Mentors (transfer student panel discussion, lunch with a peer mentor, etc; For credit, submit a one-paragraph reflection to psychadv@iastate.edu **within one week of the event**.) Not repeatable for points.

(1 point) – **Transfer Students**: Participate in a meaningful way in transfer student discussion postings. Repeatable for up to two points total.

(2 points) – Attend a Career Fair (See full calendar below). Not repeatable for points.

(3 points) – Have your resume reviewed by LAS Career Services (For credit, turn in your completed resume)

**All additional requirements must be completed by October 18th**

Assignments MUST be completed before students enrolled in Psych 111 are given their Registration Access Number (RAN) for the Spring semester
Fall 2013 Semester Dates and Deadlines

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<td>(Oct 31 for Juniors; Nov 7 for Sophomores; Nov 14 for Freshmen)</td>
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A complete listing of academic dates is available at http://www.registrar.iastate.edu/calendar/cal-fall13