

COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE OUTLINE

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A. Identification:

1. Subject Area: PSYCHOLOGY
2. Course Number: PSY 240
3. Course Title: DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
4. Credit Hrs: 3
5. Catalog Description:

Life span development, including the scientific study of physiological, emotional, cognitive, and social development and the factors that influence this development, from conception until death.
General Education: Social/Behavioral Science Special Requirements: Ethnic/Race/Gender Awareness. Prerequisite: PSY 101. Three lecture.

B. Course Goals:

This course is designed to give students a survey of the issues and concepts dealing with age-related behaviors and developmental stages that occur over the human life span.

C. Course Outcomes:

Students will:

1. Describe the theoretical frameworks used to understand the development of humans from conception until death.
2. List and describe the research methodologies used to study human development.
3. Describe the concepts that explain “how” nature and nurture interact to influence complex human characteristics.
4. Summarize the processes of physical growth as they occur over the life span.
5. Explain how brain development and cognitive abilities develop throughout the lifespan.
6. Discuss the biosocial and psychosexual factors that influences human development.

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D. Course Outcomes Assessment:

Assessment will include:

1. Students will demonstrate attainment of learning outcomes through a variety of assessment techniques including written exams and writing assignments.

E. Course Content:

Will include :

1. History, theory and research strategies related to developmental psychology.
2. Biological and environmental foundations.
3. Prenatal development and birth.
4. Physical and cognitive development over the life span.
5. Emotional and social development over the life span.
6. Sex and gender differences across the life span.
7. Death, dying and bereavement.