

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: Introduction to Sensation & Perception

Course Number and Section:

PSYCHOL

2115A 550

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Course Description:

An introduction to the study of the human senses and higher order perceptual processes. Data gathered from psychophysical research and studies of the nervous system in both humans and other animals will be discussed. The course will review the mechanisms and principles of operation of vision, hearing, touch, taste and smell. Antirequisite(s): Psychology 2015A/B. Extra Information: 4 lecture hours.

Learning Outcomes:

Have an extensive vocabulary relating to sensation and perception

Have an understanding of the biological and psychological processes related to how humans perceive their sensory environment

Knowledge of the research paradigms that inform our understanding in the area

Textbooks and Course Materials:

Goldstein, E. Bruce. & Cacciamani, Laura (2022). Sensation and Perception Eleventh Edition. Belmont, CA:

Wadsworth.

Ebook version available at: <https://www.cengage.ca/c/sensation-and-perception-44-11th-edition-11e-goldstein-cacciamani/9780357446478/>

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Online Quizzes	06/20/2025	10%
Midterm Exam	06/01/2025	40
Final Exam	06/23/2025	50

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traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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