



**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences
PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT
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Scheduling

- The department reviewed scheduling patterns for the past five years and the scheduling plan for Spring 2019. Psychology sections have been enrolling well and have increased from 51 to 63 sections over the past five years. Psychology awards the most AATs of any department on campus.
- The department has a diverse and large online offering. Michael Huff and Brad Conn are beginning the process of preparing their sections to be offered on the Online Education Initiative course exchange. Michael is preparing PSYC 5 (General Psychology), and Brad is preparing PSYC 16 (Lifespan Development). PSYC 16 is newly required across the state for nursing applicants, and may be a popular offering during winter on the exchange.
- This semester, we are offering dual enrollment sections at Hawthorne and Lawndale High Schools. Roberto Montes teaches them.

Position Request

- A growth position is the first recommendation in the 2017 program review. BSS Division Council ranked the position 4th out of 6 positions.

Curriculum

- The department will proceed with the plan to renumber its courses in Spring 2019. This semester the campus curriculum process is mostly on hold as we transition to new curriculum management software.
- Psychology 16 (Lifespan Development) is a new requirement for nursing applicants. This will cause a modest increase in demand for the class. An extra section has been added to winter and spring to accommodate requests from the Nursing Department.
- Angela is teaching Psychology 19 (Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity). She has a great group of students and is ironing out the kinks and considering a new textbook.
- The math prerequisites for PSYC 9A and 9B will not be implemented in Colleague beginning in spring because AB705 has dramatically changed student placement into Math and English

classes. Most students will be placed directly into college level Math and English. Two-unit support sections will be linked to Math and English classes for students who need them. Prerequisites like this in courses across campus are not being implemented because it would be too time consuming to manually release all the holds. Once the changes to Math curriculum settles, we may need to update our COR for PSYC 9A and 9B.

- Michael Braun would like to review the content in the Course Outline of Record for Psychology 3 (Critical Thinking and Psychology). In his research, he found that people are particularly interested in their own emotional well-being and this has prompted him to change how he teaches the course. Department faculty asked what would be removed from the course content if the proposed new content is added in. If the critical thinking in the course is reduced, it won't be transferable. The section on why people are not rational could be expanded. Angela and Michael will look at it and report back to the department in Spring.
- Michael Braun proposed reactivating Psychology 21 (Introduction to Psychology of Consciousness). It is currently not part of the AA pattern, and it would add more electives at a time when we are trying to streamline with Guided Pathways. The course was offered only six times between 2000 and 2010 and was usually low enrolled. It was UC and CSU transferable and on IGETC. Michael reported that it is taught on other campuses and will work with Chris if he wants to pursue the idea.

Guided Pathways

- Jason Suarez is leading our Division in it's Guided Pathways planning. He is working with Cheryl Kroll on our pathways. He will be in touch with Psychology faculty to discuss the Psychology pathway.

SLOs and Assessment

- Richard Mascolo will be collecting data for the Psychology 16 assessment. To quell any concerns about FERPA requirements, he will assign a unique identifying number to each student, and will correlate success in the SLOs to a student's grade in the class. He'll send an email to the department to remind them about data collection.
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Department Activities

- Currently the club is not active, but Angela would like to revisit it. They need an advisor.
- Angela and Richard will attend College Night on Nov. 14.

Counselor's Report – Cheryl Kroll

- Students should meet with a counselor to file for AATs.
- It is transfer season. Counseling is holding application workshops and campus tours. The CSU application is more complicated this year. Students may also consult Cheryl's transfer board outside her office in ARTB 340.

BSS New Building

- The department viewed plans for the new BSS building and discussed three possible layouts for the offices.

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