Bemidji State University

PSY 3437: Cognitive Psychology

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4
Lecture Hours/Week: 0
Lab Hours/Week: 0
OJT Hours/Week: *.*
Prerequisites: None
Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: None

This course is about cognitive process from different psychological theories. The goal of this course is to understand how the mind works. Since the mind lies behind of our thoughts, dreams, decision, having a good understand of mind will help us gain a better understanding of ourselves and those around us. Through the course, we will look at theoretical and empirical approaches to understand the core concepts such as perception, attention, memory, knowledge, reasoning, and decision making. Prerequisite(s): PSY 1100.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 08/01/2024 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Background, brain processes, & perception
2. Attention & working memory
3. Long-term memory & everyday memory
4. Knowledge, visual imagery, & language
5. Problem solving, reasoning, & decision making

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. identify the major areas of cognitive psychology and the underlying theoretical considerations.
2. describe the main findings in the primary areas of scientific research within cognitive psychology.
3. compare and contrast the theories within each area of cognitive psychology.
4. communicate knowledge to the general audience.
5. understand the role of cognitive processes played in social behavior.
6. understand the importance of culture for human cognition.
7. applying findings from cognitive psychology to everyday life.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted