

North Polk Community Schools Pacing & Course Description Guide



Grade Level: 11-12 Content: DMACC Introduction to Psychology Year: 2021-2022

Course Description/Rationale

A survey of psychology including theoretical and experimental findings and applications from areas such as physiological, learning, memory, personality, developmental, social, abnormal, and therapy. Students will receive 3 DMACC credits for PSY111. (1 HS credit)

Name of Unit	Time Frame	Essential Learning Target	Standard(s)			
Unit 1 Chapters 1-4	4 weeks	Students will be able to identify the 7 major perspectives in psychology and apply them to all the key concepts. Students will be able to read and understand scientific research in psychology. Students will be able to apply psychological concepts to their own life.	DMACC Competencies can be found here. https://catalog.dmacc.edu/content.php?catoi=21&catoid=21&navoid=2019&filter%5Bitem_type%5D=3&ilter%5Bonly_active%5D=1&fiter%5B3%5D=1&filter%5B3%5D=1&filter%5Bcpge%5D=15#acalog_templatecourse_filter			
Unit 2 Chapters 5-8	4-5 weeks	Students will be able to identify the 7 major perspectives in psychology and apply them to all the key concepts. Students will be able to read and understand scientific research in psychology. Students will be able to apply psychological concepts to their own life.	DMACC Competencies			

		Students will be able to learn and apply the concepts of learning to various scenarios.	
Unit 3 Chapters 9-13	4 weeks	Students will be able to identify the 7 major perspectives in psychology and apply them to all the key concepts. Students will be able to read and understand scientific research in psychology. Students will be able to apply psychological concepts to their own life. Students will be able to learn and apply the concepts of motivation and emotion to various scenarios. Students will identify and apply the various stages of development to their own lives and various scenarios.	DMACC Competencies
Unit 4 Chapters 14-16	4-5 weeks	Students will be able to identify the 7 major perspectives in psychology and apply them to all the key concepts. Students will be able to read and understand scientific research in psychology. Students will be able to apply psychological concepts to their own life. Students will be able to identify the diagnostic criteria for psychological disorders. Students will be able to apply the concepts of social psychology to various scenarios.	DMACC competencies