COURSE SYLLABUS PSY 3110-001 Research Methods in Psychology Spring 2021 1:00 – 2:50

- Have a better understanding of and appreciation for the research process
- Be able to synthesize past literature and develop new research ideas
- Be able to design and conduct empirical research in psychology
- Have an increased skeptical attitude and be able to judge the quality of others' research
- Be able to write APA style reports and effectively present your research orally
- Be able to apply basic statistics in social sciences
- Have a better understanding of how to analyze your own research data via a computerized statistical analysis program
- Have more content knowledge about psychology
- Gain improved critical thinking skills not only from the readings and from the instructor, but also through interactions with your colleagues (other students).

Attendance:

You are expected to attend class (i.e., attendance is mandatory) and to be an active participant in a

class (later that day), you will lose one letter grade. Try to turn everything in! It is better to hand something in late (for a reduced grade) than to not hand it in at all (for a zero).

Special Note:

It's important to note that based on the unpredictability of the COVID-19 virus, things can change at any time, so please be patient and understanding as we move throughout the semester. I also ask that you keep me informed of concerns you may have about class, completing coursework/assignments in a timely manner, and/or health concerns related to the virus.

Course Withdrawal, Academic Honesty, and Student Behavior:

Please consult the University Catalog for more detail on these policies. There are two things I will highlight though: 1) academic dishonesty (including plagiarism) will not be tolerated, and there will be <u>severe consequences</u> if I see either, and 2) be polite and respect others, even if you disagree with their opinions.