Course Information Form (CIF)

Course Code: PSY 224

Course Title: Psychology of Women

Department: Arts, Media, and Social Sciences
PCS Code: 1.1 - Baccalaureate/Transfer
CIP Code: 42.2701
Repeatability: 0

Effective Date: Summer 2026

Credit Hours

Catalog Notation: 3-0-3
Credit Hour Distribution:

Lecture: 3	Lab: 0	Clinical: 0	**Total: 3**

General Course Information

Catalog Description

Examination of female life cycle that explores ways in which biological growth and intellectual and social behavior of women change over time. Theoretical, research, and discussion topics focus on gender-role development, socialization processes, and self concept formation.

General Course Objectives

To explore and develop an appreciation of the female life cycle as well as gender-role development, socialization process, and self-concept formation of women.

Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
None	None	None

Prerequisites

Credit in PSY 101

Methods of Evaluation

3-4 exams, 10-12 discussion assignments, and 1 final paper.

Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

The Psychology of Women, by Margaret Matlin, 978-0840032898

Course Content

General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Critical Thinking and Information Literacy: Students will demonstrate the ability to evaluate perspectives, evidence, and implications, and to locate, assess, and use information effectively.

Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Introduction	1. Discuss a general overview of what the psychology of women entails.	3	0	0
Images of Women	1. Discuss sub-cultural and cross-cultural images of femininity.	6	0	0
Gender Development	1. Identify and discuss different theories and descriptions of gender development.	6	0	0
Gendered Verbal and Nonverbal Communication	1. Identify the effects of gender-based cultural ideals on communication patterns.	6	0	0
Gendered Close Relationships	1. Examine the complex relationship between gender and close relationships.	6	0	0
Gendered Family Dynamics	1. Examine the complex relationship between gender and family dynamics.	4	0	0
Gendered Education Dynamics	1. Examine the complex relationship between gender and education.	4	0	0
Gendered Media	1. Examine the complex relationship between gender and media.	3	0	0
Gendered Power and Violence	1. Discuss the complex relationship between gender and power and violence.	3	0	0
The Role of Women, Past, Present, and Future	1. Discuss the changing roles of women both in the past and in the future.	4	0	0

Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
45	0	0