

# PSYC 54H: HONORS INSTITUTE SEMINAR IN PSYCHOLOGY

## Foothill College Course Outline of Record

Heading	Value
Effective Term:	Summer 2022
Units:	1
Hours:	1 lecture per week (12 total per quarter)
Advisory:	ENGL 1A or 1AH or ESLL 26; not open to students with credit in PSYC 34 or 34H.
Degree & Credit Status:	Degree-Applicable Credit Course
Foothill GE:	Non-GE
Transferable:	CSU
Grade Type:	Letter Grade (Request for Pass/No Pass)
Repeatability:	Not Repeatable

## Student Learning Outcomes

- The student will be able to discuss topics in a subfield in psychology with the instructor and other students.
- The student will be able to give an oral presentation explaining and critiquing empirical articles in a subfield in psychology.

## Description

A seminar in directed readings, discussions and projects in psychology. Specific topics to be determined by the instructor.

## Course Objectives

The student will be able to:

- Analyze psychological topics in a skillful and thorough manner.
- Discuss psychological topics critically with the instructor and other students.
- Conduct a search for primary sources (e.g., empirical articles).
- Analyze and explain the importance of a particular topic to the instructor and other students.
- Utilize critical analysis in readings of primary sources.

## Course Content

- Readings, discussion, and critical analysis of the various topics
- Use of primary sources and other sources as deemed appropriate

## Lab Content

Not applicable.

## Special Facilities and/or Equipment

When taught as an online distance learning section, students and faculty need ongoing and continuous internet and email access.

## Method(s) of Evaluation

Methods of Evaluation may include but are not limited to the following:

Class participation  
 Student presentation  
 Group work  
 Papers  
 Critical questions  
 Examinations on readings

## Method(s) of Instruction

Methods of Instruction may include but are not limited to the following:

Instructor presentation  
 Student presentations  
 Class discussions

## Representative Text(s) and Other Materials

Mainly primary sources and/or other sources seen as appropriate to topic.

## Types and/or Examples of Required Reading, Writing, and Outside of Class Assignments

- Conduct search for primary sources (empirical articles) by accessing web-based databases (e.g., PsyArticles)
- Meet with other group members to conduct group projects
- Read research articles
- Writing assignments:
  - Write 1-2 page reflection paper
  - Write 5-6 page research paper
  - Write critical questions based on weekly readings

## Discipline(s)

Psychology