

ROSLYN HIGH SCHOOL

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL STUDIES

NAME OF COURSE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF COURSE

This class is a college-level introductory psychology course. In order to ensure that students are adequately prepared for the AP exam, we will study all of the areas the College Board has indicated will be on the test. In addition to mastery of the subject matter, the class will emphasize critical thinking and how psychology can be applied to our everyday lives.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED

History and Approaches
Research Methods
Biological Bases of Behavior
Sensation and Perception
States of Consciousness
Learning
Cognition
Motivation and Emotion
Developmental Psychology
Personality
Testing Individual Differences
Abnormal Psychology
Treatment of Psychological
Disorders
Social Psychology

TEXTBOOK

Psychology: David Myers, 2001

REQUIREMENTS

Homework assignments nightly - taking notes on text and articles
Short essays at home
Multiple choice and essay exams
Empirical research projects
Project after AP exam