

25909 - Psychology of learning

Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year	2017/18
Faculty / School	301 - Facultad de Ciencias Sociales y Humanas
Degree	270 - Degree in Psychology
ECTS	6.0
Year	1
Semester	Second Four-month period
Subject Type	Basic Education
Module	---

1.General information

1.1.Introduction

1.2.Recommendations to take this course

1.3.Context and importance of this course in the degree

1.4.Activities and key dates

2.Learning goals

2.1.Learning goals

2.2.Importance of learning goals

3.Aims of the course and competences

3.1.Aims of the course

3.2.Competences

4.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

4.1.Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)

5.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

5.1.Methodological overview

The learning process has been designed with the following components:

Theory lectures in large groups.

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Practical sessions in smaller groups.

Group assignments.

Special emphasis on individual study.

5.2.Learning tasks

The program developed to help the student achieve the anticipated results comprises the following:

Theory lectures in large groups (30 hours, 1,2 ECTS):

Explanations and orientation of individual study of the different units that make up the subject. Students will be guided toward the acquisition of competencies and learning results. A range of mediums will be used to convey the necessary ideas (Powerpoint presentations, video clips, documentaries, illustrative animations, etc.).

Practical sessions in smaller groups (Problem solving and cases, 20 hours, 0,8 ECTS; Work tasts, 40 hours, 1,6 ECTS):

Problem solving and questions in reduced groups (2-3 people per group). The laptop computers available to the Psychology Degree program will be used to simulate experiments in Learning Psychology. The program Sniffy Pro for Windows will be used as well as web pages whose contents, images and animations are relevant and related to the theory outlines. The Moodle learning platform will be used to download the problems and questions to resolve and answer, upload work for correction by the lecturer and carry out unit texts and practical exercises.

Autonomous Study (50 hours, 2 ECTS):

In addition to the activities already mentioned the student is expected to create structured work programs and unit outlines while bearing in mind the time required by other subjects. Motivation must be shown in the student's autonomous work.

5.3.Syllabus

The contents of the subject are the following:

1. Introduction.
2. Elicited behavior. Habituation and Sensitization.
3. Classic Conditioning: Foundations.
4. Classic Conditioning: Mechanisms.

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5. Instrumental conditioning: Foundations.
6. Schedules of Reinforcement and Choice Behavior.
7. Stimulus Control of Behavior.
8. Extinction of Conditioned Behavior.
9. Aversive control. Avoidance and Punishment.

5.4.Course planning and calendar

Planning and Calendar

- Theory lectures in large groups: 2 hours per week.
- Practical sessions in smaller groups: 2 hours per week.
- Final exam to be held at the end of the second semester (June).

5.5.Bibliography and recommended resources

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