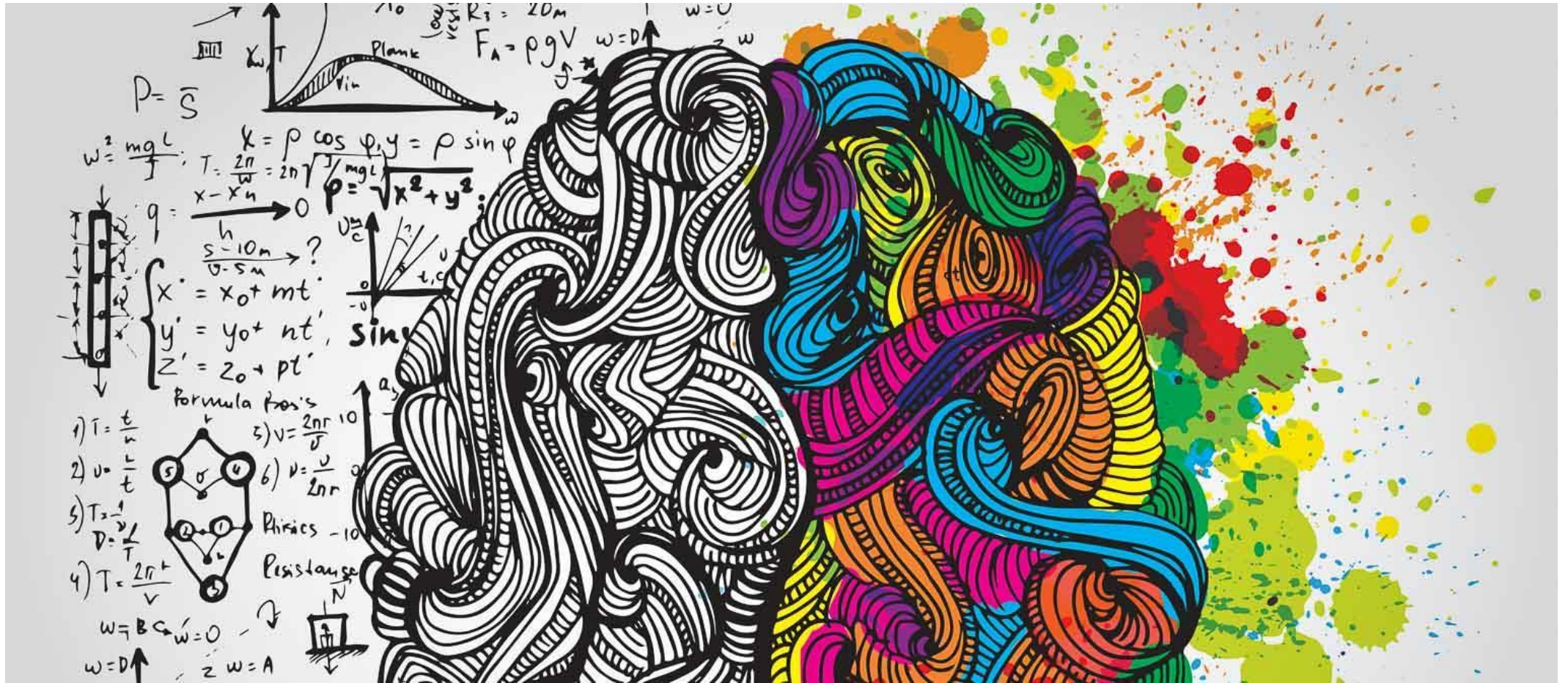


AP Psychology

Psychology 1 is not a pre-requisite

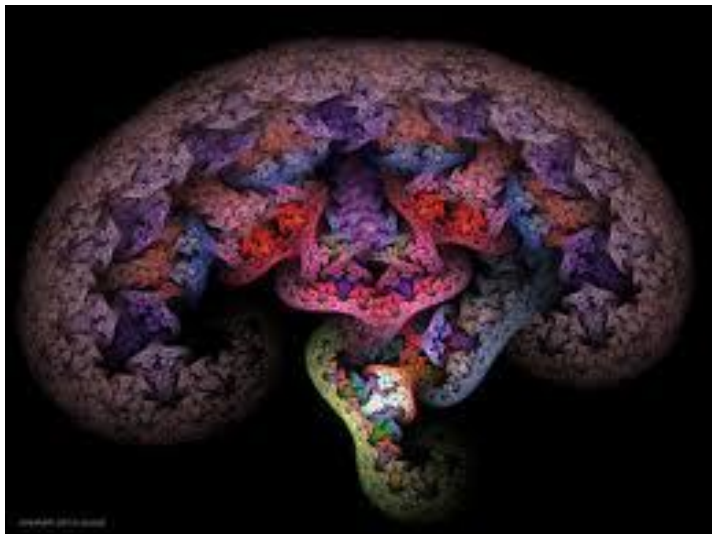
This course lasts 3 trimesters

Mr. Rillo



Why take it?

- Challenging and interesting
- Graded on a 5 pt scale
- Looks great on college applications
- Possibility of college credit
- Learn about yourself (not just psychology.....work habits, too)



Who should take this course?

- STRONG WORK ETHIC
- Does homework on time
- Schedules time for studying everyday
- Is willing to make mistakes, but does not repeat them
- Can stay on task for daily class activities such as **lecturing**, writing, projects
- Understands that this course is fun and interesting, but it is hard work too.
- Says “Yes!” to challenges
- Sets high standards for themselves

What to expect:

Do I need to take Psychology 1?

- No. I will start as if you know nothing about psychology
- If you have: Same content as psych – but SIGNIFICANTLY more in depth and challenging

What is the homework load?

- Reading (from 2-4 days a week) - (5-10ish pages)
- Homework of some kind most nights (likely reading notes, but could include charts, diagrams, etc.) □ the amount of time this takes varies by student
- Large volume of vocabulary – you will need to memorize and apply

What are the tests like?

- Day 1: Multiple choice and vocabulary
- Day 2: Written
- All finals cumulative, some cumulative elements on unit exams

What to expect:

How is my final grade calculated?

- 35% Exams
- 15% Final
- 40% Work
- 10% FRQ

Odds and ends

- There is extra credit
- Exam scores are curved
- Guided practice for FRQs
- Doing all of the work can offset a poor exam score (but doesn't guarantee a passing grade)

How you succeed: Positive Thoughts, Positive Actions, Positive Outcomes

Positive Thoughts:

- Realistic goals
- Accept that you aren't perfect, but work on imperfection
- This will be hard, but you will rise to the challenge

Positive Actions:

- Your actions:
 - Should follow the criteria on "Who should take this course"
- My Actions:
 - I will be responsive to your needs as students
 - I will not give up
 - Games/simulations/essay practice/vocabulary practice/organizers/lessons on best reading practices

Positive Outcomes:

- A positive experience
- A grade you have earned
- Pass the AP exam in May!

Past Results: AP Psych

2017

2018

- 29 students took the test
 - 86% passed with a 3+
(64% Global avg)
- 25 students took the test
 - 100% passed with a 3+
(65.7% Global Avg)

• MC scores	Nat'l Avg	• MC scores	Nat'l Avg
• 11: 5 (37%)	18.8%	• 9: 5 (20%)	21.1%
• 10: 4 (34%)	25.1%	• 12: 4 (16%)	26.3%
• 4: 3 (14%)	20.1%	• 4: 3 (12%)	18.3%
• 4: 2 (14%)	14.8%	• 0: 0 (0%)	14.5%
• 0: 1 (0%)	21.3%	• 0: 0 (0%)	19.8%

Past Results: AP Psych

2019

- 31 students took the test
- 84% passed with a 3+
(65% Global avg)

• MC scores	CA Avg
• 9: 5 (29%)	20%
• 10: 4 (32%)	26%
• 4: 3 (23%)	19%
• 2: 3 (10%)	14.8%
• 2: 1 (6%)	23%

2020

- 28 students took the test
- 89.3% passed with a 3+
(71.1% Global Avg)

• MC scores	CAI Avg
• 6: 5 (24%)	23
• 9: 4 (32%)	24%
• 7: 3 (29%)	23%
• 1: 2 (4%)	9%
• 2: 1 (7%)	20%

