

Course Expectations Planning Guide

Social Studies

570 AP Psychology

Please Note: All listed information is intended to provide a general guideline for students in planning their course load. All information provided will vary according to the individual study needs and academic motivation. Events and responsibilities may vary year-to-year.

Time Commitment

3 hours per week

Standard Responsibilities

In this course, students will increase their understanding of the systematic and scientific study of human and animal behavior. Students will be exposed to the various psychological theories, facts, principles and phenomena associated with each of the major subfield within the discipline. The increased knowledge gained through psychological inquiry will assist students in developing their perceptions about the world around them, gaining insights into their own and other's behavior and increase their appreciation of the complexity of human behavior. Students will gain a greater understanding of the research methods psychologists' use in their science and practice through hands-on activities and projects. AP Psychology will provide students with a learning experience equivalent to that of most introductory college psychology courses. This course is taught at the college level and students are expected to have excellent study habits, motivation and participation. Upon successfully completing the semester course, students will be prepared to take the AP Psychology exam and begin their college psychology studies at an advanced level.

Significant Events

The methods of evaluation and assessment will include Multiple Choice Tests, Free Response Question Tests, Chapter Note Checks, Projects, Text-based and supplemental videos, and class participation.