Introduction to Psychology

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**Brief Overview**

This course will introduce students to the fundamental principles of psychology and psychological inquiry. It has been designed to provide students with the tools necessary for the study of psychology, as an academic discipline and an applied field. Units in this course will cover areas such as memory, emotions, perception, learning, cognition. The focus will be on well-substantiated research and current trends within each of these areas of study.

**Course Objectives**

Students in this course will be able to –

- Demonstrate an understanding of the general history and trends in the field of psychology.
- Demonstrate a framework of psychological inquiry that leads to further understanding of the human brain.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the basic findings within a variety of areas of psychology, including sensation and perception, memory and learning, and psychopathology.

**Teaching Methodology**

The course is conducted mostly by the interaction based lecture method, with regular class leads by the students. The students also conduct case studies.

**Requirements**
Students are expected to –

- Complete all required reading for each scheduled class as per the course outline,
- Actively participate in class activities and discussions, and
- Complete all evaluative processes for successful course completion!