

# PSYC 142: COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY

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**Catalog Title:**

Community Psychology

**Class Schedule Title:**

Community Psychology

**Academic Group: (College)**

SSIS - Social Sciences & Interdisciplinary Studies

**Academic Organization: (Department)**

Psychology

**Will this course be offered through the College of Continuing Education (CCE)?**

Yes

**Please specify:**

CCE and Stateside

**Catalog Year Effective:**

Spring 2025 (2025/2026 Catalog)

**Subject Area: (prefix)**

PSYC - Psychology

**Catalog Number: (course number)**

142

**Course ID: (For administrative use only.)**

202655

**Units:**

3

**Is the ONLY purpose of this change to update the term typically offered or the enforcement of existing prerequisites at registration?**

No

**In what term(s) will this course typically be offered?**

Fall, Spring

**Does this course require a room for its final exam?**

Yes, final exam requires a room

**This course complies with the credit hour policy:**

Yes

**Justification for course proposal:**

Proposed change: Remove PSYC 121 from the list of pre-requisites and replace it with PSYC 8 and 9. PSYC minors were added to the prerequisites. ELOs had not yet been entered in Course Leaf, this change also allows us to enter them into the Course Leaf system. The ELOs have been slightly adjusted for clarity and to more closely align with Bloom's taxonomy, yet maintain the content of the initial ELOs originally proposed in 2015.

Rationale/justification for change: The PSYC 121 pre-requisite is an unnecessary barrier to enrollment in PSYC 142. PSYC 121 promotes students' understanding psychological science research through a project-based experience. Although valuable knowledge, this level of understanding is not necessary for an introduction to Community Psychology. A lower-division introduction to statistics for psychology (PSYC 9) and a lower-division introduction to psychological research methods (PSYC 8) should be sufficient to succeed in PSYC 142. PSYC minors were added so they can use it as an elective class for their minor and the computer will not block them from enrolling.

**Summary of changes:**

- updated course description
- updated catalog year effective
- updated syllabus

**Course Description: (Not to exceed 90 words and language should conform to catalog copy.)**

This course is designed to introduce you to the field of community psychology, which is concerned with the scientific study of social problems through collaborative research. This course will provide students with ecological frameworks that aim to reduce and transform social problems (e.g., poverty, mental illness, and others) as well as core values of community well-being, empowerment, and collaboration. Students will be exposed to prevention and intervention programs employed to solve social concerns as well as potential implications for practice and policy.

**Are one or more field trips required with this course?**

No

**Fee Course?**

No

**Is this course designated as Service Learning?**

No

**Is this course designated as Curricular Community Engaged Learning?**

No

**Does this course require safety training?**

No

**Does this course require personal protective equipment (PPE)?**

No

**Does this course have prerequisites?**

Yes

**Prerequisite:**

PSYC 8, PSYC 9, and PSYC majors and PSYC minors only.

**Prerequisites Enforced at Registration?**

Yes

**Does this course have corequisites?**

No

**Graded:**

Letter

**Approval required for enrollment?**

No Approval Required

**Course Component(s) and Classification(s):**

Lecture

**Lecture Classification**

CS#02 - Lecture/Discussion (K-factor=1 WTU per unit)

**Lecture Units**

3

**Is this a paired course?**

No

**Is this course crosslisted?**

No

**Can this course be repeated for credit?**

No

**Can the course be taken for credit more than once during the same term?**

No

**Description of the Expected Learning Outcomes and Assessment Strategies:**

List the Expected Learning Outcomes and their accompanying Assessment Strategies (e.g., portfolios, examinations, performances, pre-and post-tests, conferences with students, student papers). Click the plus sign to add a new row.

	Expected Learning Outcome	Assessment Strategies
1	Describe the values, conceptual frameworks, and research and intervention approaches of the field of community psychology;	Writing assignments; Quizzes; Discussion board posts; In-class activities (attendance and participation); Exams; Photovoice project; Community Intervention Paper
2	Apply key concepts of community psychology to analyze real-world situations and problems;	Writing assignments; Quizzes; Discussion board posts; In-class activities (attendance and participation); Exams; Photovoice project; Community Intervention Paper
3	Critique how problems are defined and what solutions are used to address those problems;	Writing assignments; Quizzes; Discussion board posts; In-class activities (attendance and participation); Exams; Photovoice project; Community Intervention Paper; Community Intervention Group Presentation
4	Design and propose programs and policies that are based on theory and empirical evidence.	Photovoice project; Community Intervention Paper; Community Intervention Group Presentation

**Attach a list of the required/recommended course readings and activities:**

PSYC 142 syllabus S24(updated-cleaned February 25).docx

**Is this course required in a degree program (major, minor, graduate degree, certificate?)**

No

**Does the proposed change or addition cause a significant increase in the use of College or University resources (lab room, computer)?**

No

**Will there be any departments affected by this proposed course?**

No

**I/we as the author(s) of this course proposal agree to provide a new or updated accessibility checklist to the Dean's office prior to the semester when this course is taught utilizing the changes proposed here.**

I/we agree

## **University Learning Goals**

**Undergraduate Learning Goals:**

Competence in the disciplines  
Intellectual and practical skills

**Is this course required as part of a teaching credential program, a single subject, or multiple subject waiver program (e.g., Liberal Studies, Biology) or other school personnel preparation program (e.g., School of Nursing)?**

No

## **GE Course and GE Goal(s)**

**Is this a General Education (GE) course or is it being considered for GE?**

No

**Reviewer Comments:**

Becky Penrod (penrodb) (Mon, 06 May 2024 21:20:09 GMT): Rollback: Revise justification

Becky Penrod (penrodb) (Mon, 16 Sep 2024 20:05:54 GMT): Rollback: Adjust assessments to align with syllabus

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