



Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
PSYD-330	Psychology of Sexuality and Gender	10
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
PSYD-100	Social Sciences	Fall
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Compulsory	Psychology	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1 st Cycle	Marios Adoni	3 rd
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Distance Learning	None	None

Course Objectives:

Sexuality is a central theme in the common human experience and lies in the core of identity development and often functions as determinant factor in our behaviors, cognitions, and emotions. Gender and sexual behaviors are studied from social, evolutionary, biological and psychological perspectives. Major topics include the creation and development of gender identities, social and cultural influences on formation and maintenance of gender identity, normative and abnormal sexual behavior, and sexual orientation. Besides the academic objectives of the course it also aims to help students in developing sexual intelligence that will be applicable in their daily lives.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Discuss the diversity of human sexuality along many dimensions including age, sexual orientation and identity.
- Discuss and criticize methods used in research on sexuality
- Explain problems in sexual functioning, and normative sexual behaviors
- Discuss how biology, society, culture, and psychology affect our sexual behavior.
- Develop comfort with thinking and talking about sex. both to minimize their own personal anxiety about a tension-causing topic
- Take responsible decisions in the important aspect of their own sexuality.

Course Content:

1. Sexuality in Psychosocial and Theoretical Perspective
2. Sex Research
3. Sexual Anatomy
4. The Physiology of Sexual Response
5. Techniques of Arousal and Communication
6. Sexuality and the Life Cycle
7. Attraction, Intimacy and Love
8. Gender and Sexuality
9. Sexual Orientation
10. Variations in Sexual Behavior
11. Sexual Coercion and Sex for Sale
12. Sexually Disorders and Sex Therapy
13. Sexually Transmitted Diseases

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Presentations, Discussion forums, Reflection diary, Debate

Assessment Methods:

Quizzes, participation, paper, Final Exam

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Our Sexuality	Crooks, R.L., & Baur, K.	Cengage Learning	2011	ISBN: 0-538-45281-1