Dear Students:

My online Fall 2019 General Psychology I (PSY111) course is now available.

Go to the unique url at:
http://www.macmillanhighered.com/launchpad/myers12einmodules/10773661

It is essential you bookmark this page. All course information, assignments and the e-Book (which contains the same content as the print text) are located at this LaunchPad course website. The course website (LaunchPad) requires you register an access code and establish an account (please keep your e-mail address/username and password in a secure location).

There are three ways to obtain a LaunchPad access code to the course website (please see attachment on textbook information for all details). You need to choose one of the following methods. [Please e-mail your Instructor any questions you have as to your choices at psusen@gmail.com]

1. Purchase the looseleaf text at the bookstore which includes the one year LaunchPad access code (which also provides access to the e-book). The cost of the bundle (looseleaf text with access code) is $119.00. With this access code, you may now browse to the LaunchPad course website, click the button "I have a student access code" in the left frame, click submit and follow the instructions to create your account and enter the course ... OR

2. Purchase the one year access code (which includes the e-book) without the looseleaf text at the bookstore (cost for this purchase is $115.75). With this access code, you may now browse to the LaunchPad course website, click the button "I have a student access code" in the left frame, click submit and follow the instructions to create your account and enter the course ... OR

3. Purchase a 12 month access code (which includes the e-book) without the looseleaf text directly from the Launch Pad course website. At the course website, in the left frame, click on "I want to purchase access". Enter your email address and then your name and password. When purchased directly in this manner, a 12 month LaunchPad access code is currently priced at $77.25.

NOTE - If you currently do not have the resources to purchase the looseleaf text or access code (or your financial aid has not cleared yet), browse to the LaunchPad course website, and click on "I want one-time trial access" in the left frame. Create an account as above without the code. Always keep your email address/username and password in a secure location. Temporary access provides you with a "free" 21 day pass, within which time you need to register an access code per either #1, #2 or #3 above using the same email/username and password you created for temporary access. Note if you change usernames, then the system will see you as a new student - so always keep using the same username within any LaunchPad term.

When you arrive at the course website, LaunchPad will instantly recognize whether your browser is compatible or whether you need any additional free browser plug-ins.

Please also note in the textbook message, that there is a required separate reader, **The Influential Mind**, by Tali Sharot. Options and pricing are included in the textbook message file.

If you have any questions or problems logging in, please e-mail your Instructor at psusen@gmail.com. If I cannot help you, I will ask you to contact Technical Support. Technical support will need a technical support incident ID if you continue to have trouble, so be sure to save that ID when you report your issue. You can reach a representative through the online form, by chat or by phone at (800) 936-6899 during the following hours:

- Monday through Thursday 8:00 am. to 3:00 am.
- Friday 8:00 am. to 12:00 am.
- Saturday 12:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.
- Sunday 12:00 pm. to 3:00 am.

Any questions - please e-mail me at psusen@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing you upon your arrival at the LaunchPad course web site!

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Required Textbooks

1. The Influential Mind by Tali Sharot (ISBN 9781627792653) - Purchase options:
   a. At College Bookstore: New (paperback) $17.00 or
   b. At College Bookstore: Rent New (paperback) (due back 12/17/19) $13.43 or
   c. At Amazon.com or similar online retailer: available in print and digital format (prices vary)
2. Psychology in Modules by Myers and DeWall (12th edition) - Purchase options: (please note that LaunchPad code includes access to eBook)
   a. At College Bookstore: Psychology in Modules (looseleaf version) & 12 month LaunchPad Access Code $119.00 or
   b. At College Bookstore: LaunchPad 12 month access code only (includes eBook without print text) $115.75 or
   c. Direct at LaunchPad course site: LaunchPad 12 month access code only (includes eBook without print text) $77.25

Topic	Deadline/Date
Fall Term Begins	August 27
Welcome Unit & Module 1	September 8
Modules 2-3	September 22
Modules 4-6	October 6
The Influential Mind Prologue Post	October 6
Modules 10-12	October 13
Modules 17-19	October 27
The Influential Mind Chapter 1 Post	October 27
Modules 20-22	November 3
Modules 23-25	November 17
The Influential Mind Chapter 2 Post	November 17
Modules 32-35	December 1
The Influential Mind Chapter 3 Post	December 1
Modules 36-40	December 15
The Influential Mind Chapter 4 Post	December 15
Fall Term Ends	December 15

Grade	Percent	Points
A	94	1050.92
A-	90	1006.20
B+	87	972.66
B	83	927.94
B-	80	894.40
C+	77	860.86
C	73	816.14

C-	70	782.60
D+	67	749.06
D	63	704.34
D-	60	670.80
F	<60	<670.80

Frequently Asked Questions - General Psychology I, Fall - 2019 [updated 08-04-19]

- What is LaunchPad?
  - LaunchPad is the course management system used by Macmillan Publishing, the publisher of your main Psychology textbook. All assignments are located at the following LaunchPad course web site: http://www.macmillanhighered.com/launchpad/myers12einmodules/10773661
- Am I required to use LaunchPad?
  - Absolutely yes - all assignments are located at the LaunchPad course web site. It is essential that you bookmark the course url.
- Am I required to purchase LaunchPad?
  - Yes - either through the activation code bundled in your print textbook or purchased separately. For options - please see the textbook information file which your instructor has emailed you.
- Can I purchase the LaunchPad access code from Amazon or a reseller?
  - I strongly advise against purchasing the access code from Amazon or a reseller for three reasons. First, you cannot be sure you are receiving the code for the exactly the same text the digital platform is based on. Secondly, Amazon pricing may cost more than direct from the publisher. Third, Amazon may not offer one year access codes.
- Is it recommended or required that I use BlackBoard for this course?
  - Announcements, course policies, course documents, reminders as to deadlines, and a gradebook (with separate information from that found at Launchpad), is located on BlackBoard. Although it is not required that students actively use BlackBoard in this course, it is recommended.
- Can I complete course requirements anytime?
  - As long as you are working on an assignment before a deadline has passed, the answer is "yes" - any time - any day (assuming LaunchPad is not down for a brief maintenance window).
- When can I actually begin to access LaunchPad and complete assignments?
  - You can start anytime after your Instructor has emailed you the course information and/or you have reviewed the information on BlackBoard.
- Can I work ahead in this course?
  - As long as you meet the course deadlines, you can proceed at whatever speed works for you.
- What browser is recommended for this course?
  - Your Instructor recommends Mozilla Firefox. This browser will work well for Launchpad and at the BlackBoard site. Google Chrome and a Microsoft Edge browser will also work at LaunchPad. However, your Instructor does not recommend either at BlackBoard.
- What happens if I miss a deadline?
  - Deadlines have been established to keep students on track, and to encourage students not to procrastinate. However, if a student misses a deadline, she/he must email the Instructor at psusen@gmail.com, a request to extend that deadline for a set of assignments. The student must be specific as to which assignments she/he needs to make up late. Any assignment not completed by the end of term will be assigned a "0".
- I see "The Influential Mind" listed under Topics and Deadlines. What is "The Influential Mind"?
  - You need to closely examine the Textbook Requirements file. Your Instructor has emailed you that file. It also appears on the BlackBoard Announcements page, under Welcome Letter. Simply put, "The Influential Mind" is a separate text from the main Myers & DeWall - Psychology book. We cover one-half of "The Influential Mind" in PSY111 and the other half in PSY112. Students are required to read the Prologue and four chapters and respond to one of several questions, in the form of a discussion board post in each chapter. Each post is worth between 10 and 20 points. In total, these five "The Influential Mind" posts are worth 8% of your overall grade in this course.
- Where can I find these "The Influential Mind" requirements?
  - End of Module 6 in LaunchPad - assignment from the Prologue to "The Influential Mind" [deadline - October 6]
  - End of Module 19 in LaunchPad - assignment from Chapter 1 in "The Influential Mind" [deadline - October 27]

- End of Module 25 in LaunchPad - assignment from Chapter 2 in "The Influential Mind" [deadline - November 17]
- End of Module 35 in LaunchPad - assignment from Chapter 3 in "The Influential Mind" [deadline - December 1]
- End of Module 40 in LaunchPad - assignment from Chapter 4 in "The Influential Mind" [deadline - December 15]

- I see some quizzes can be taken more than once. Please explain.
  - On any Module, Major or PsychSim quiz, you may have the opportunity to take that specific quiz more than once (perhaps two or three times). As the directions for each quiz will state, if you choose to attempt a quiz more than once (where allowed), your highest score will count. You should not expect the same quiz questions on multiple attempts.
- What texts are required? Can I purchase them online? Do I have any choices?
  - Your Instructor has emailed you a file which contains all of the textbook information you need. Also, this same file can be found on the BlackBoard Announcements page, under Welcome Letter; and in the BlackBoard Syllabus.
- Do you have office hours? Are you physically on campus?
  - I am not physically on-campus and as such I do not have office hours. As this class is 100% virtual, I am available at all times through e-mail at psusen@trcc.commnet.edu or psusen@gmail.com. I will respond to any email as soon as possible, whether weekday, weekend or holiday, it makes no difference to your Instructor.