COURSE SYLLABUS

Term: 20171

Course: Senior Seminar

Instructor Information:

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<tr>
<th>Instructor Name</th>
<th>Dr. Joseph Kovach</th>
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<td>Office Number:</td>
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<td>219.47.4261 or 219.838.3338 (preferred)</td>
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<td>Hours Available:</td>
<td>Tuesday 11-7</td>
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<td>Wednesday 11-7</td>
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<td>Thursday 11-6</td>
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<td>Times subject to change. Other times by appointment.</td>
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Instructor Background: B.A. in Speech; M.A. in Psychology; Psy.D. in Psychology

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<td>Prerequisites:</td>
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<td>Required Books and Materials:</td>
<td>MyPsychLab with E text for Gerrig, <em>Psychology and Life</em>, 20e., access code standalone</td>
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<td>GRE Psychology Test, Research &amp; Education Assoc., Inc. 8th ed., 2010 w/CD</td>
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Learning Outcomes/ Competencies:

Students in this course will:

- Review the field of psychology
- Study in depth those areas he/she has not yet been exposed
- Be able to determine his/her weaknesses and strengths in the area of psychology
Feel confident taking an advanced test, such as, the GRE exam in psychology

Course Description:
This capstone course is designed to assist students in the integration and critical examination of the various concepts, theories, and methods of inquiry presented both in general education and the major. Learning outcomes for both the general education program and the major are reviewed. Course assignments assist students in assessing the degree for which learning outcomes have been mastered. Senior standing is required.

Learning Strategies:
PsyLab exercises and Practice exams

Assessments:

| Major Assignments: | No other exam dates are possible as this exam attempts to simulate GRE and Graduate school standards. |

Grading Scale
120 points is passing
Historically, the top scores set the grading scale based on the following percentiles

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Course Schedule:

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<td>Week 1</td>
<td>5 September 2016</td>
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<td>Week 8</td>
<td>Week of 22 October Practice Exam available</td>
<td>Optional</td>
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<td>Week 15</td>
<td>16 December 2017</td>
<td>8:45 a.m.</td>
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I reserve the right to change this schedule to meet the needs of the class.

Responsibilities

| Attending Class | You cannot succeed in this class if you do not attend. We believe that intellectual growth and success in higher education occur through interaction in the classroom and laboratories. However, we do not want to penalize students for participating in college-sponsored events. When you miss class because of a college event, you must give notice of your absence in advance, and you are responsible for all missed work. Being absent doesn’t excuse you from doing class work; you have more responsibilities to keep up and meet the objectives of this course. |
| Turning In Your Work | You cannot succeed in this class if you do not turn in all your work on the day it is due. |
Using Electronic Devices

Electronic devices can **ONLY** be used in class for course-related purposes. If you text or access the Internet for other purposes, you may be asked to leave, in which case you will be marked absent.

Participating in Class

You must be on time, stay for the whole class and speak up in a way that shows you have done the assigned reading. If you are not prepared for class discussion, you may be asked to leave, in which case you will be marked absent.

Plagiarism - Doing Your Own Work

If you turn in work that is not your own, you are subject to judicial review, and these procedures can be found in the College Catalog and the Student Planner. The maximum penalty for any form of academic dishonesty is dismissal from the College.

Using standard citation guidelines, such as MLA or APA format to document sources avoids plagiarism. The Library has reference copies of each of these manuals, and there are brief checklists in your Student Handbook and Planner.

**PLEASE NOTE:** All papers may be electronically checked for plagiarism.

Withdrawing from Class

After the last day established for class changes has passed (see the College calendar), you may withdraw from a course by following the policy outlined in the CCSJ Course Catalog.

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**Resources**

**Student Success Center:**
The Student Success Center provides faculty tutors at all levels to help you master specific subjects and develop effective learning skills. It is open to all students at no charge. You can contact the Student Success Center at 219-473-4287 or stop by the Library.

**Disability Services:**
Disability Services strives to meet the needs of all students by providing academic services in accordance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines. If you believe that you need a “reasonable accommodation” because of a disability, contact the Disability Services Coordinator at 219-473-4349.

**CCSJ Alerts:**
Calumet College of St. Joseph’s emergency communications system will tell you about emergencies, weather-related closings, or other incidents via text, email, or voice messages. Please sign up for this important service annually on the College’s website at: [http://www.ccsj.edu/alerts/index.html](http://www.ccsj.edu/alerts/index.html).

In addition, you can check other media for important information, such as school closings:

- **Internet:** [http://www.ccsj.edu](http://www.ccsj.edu)
- **TV Channels:** 2, 5, 7, 9, 32
Emergency Procedures

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

EMERGENCY ACTION

1. Call 911 and report incident.
2. Do not move the patient unless safety dictates.
3. Have someone direct emergency personnel to patient.
4. If trained: Use pressure to stop bleeding.
5. Provide basic life support as needed.

FIRE

EMERGENCY ACTION

1. Pull alarm (located by EXIT doors).
2. Leave the building.
3. Call 911 from a safe distance, and give the following information:
   - Location of the fire within the building.
   - A description of the fire and how it started (if known)

BUILDING EVACUATION

1. All building evacuations will occur when an alarm sounds and/or upon notification by security/safety personnel. **DO NOT ACTIVATE ALARM IN THE EVENT OF A BOMB THREAT.**
2. If necessary or if directed to do so by a designated emergency official, activate the building alarm.
3. When the building evacuation alarm is activated during an emergency, leave by the nearest marked exit and alert others to do the same.
4. Assist the disabled in exiting the building! Remember that the elevators are reserved for persons who are disabled. **DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS IN CASE OF FIRE. DO NOT PANIC.**
5. Once outside, proceed to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the building. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel. The assembly point is the sidewalk in front of the college on New York Avenue.
6. **DO NOT RETURN** to the evacuated building unless told to do so by College official or emergency responders.

**IF YOU HAVE A DISABILITY AND ARE UNABLE TO EVACUATE:**
Stay calm, and take steps to protect yourself. If there is a working telephone, call 911 and tell the emergency dispatcher where you are or where you will be moving. If you must move,
   1. Move to an exterior enclosed stairwell.
   2. Request persons exiting by way of the stairway to notify the Fire Department of your location.
   3. As soon as practical, move onto the stairway and await emergency personnel.
   4. Prepare for emergencies by learning the locations of exit corridors and enclosed stairwells. Inform professors, and/or classmates of best methods of assistance during an emergency.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL/RELEASE

EMERGENCY ACTION

1. Call 911 and report incident.
2. Secure the area.
3. Assist the injured.  
4. Evacuate if necessary.

**TORNADO**

**EMERGENCY ACTION**

1. Avoid automobiles and open areas.  
2. Move to a basement or corridor.  
3. Stay away from windows.  
4. Do not call 911 unless you require emergency assistance.

**SHELTER IN PLACE**

**EMERGENCY ACTION**

1. Stay inside a building.  
2. Seek inside shelter if outside.  
3. Seal off openings to your room if possible.  
4. Remain in place until you are told that it is safe to leave.

**BOMB THREATS**

**EMERGENCY ACTION**

1. Call 911 and report incident.  
2. If a suspicious object is observed (e.g. a bag or package left unattended):  
   - Don’t touch it!  
   - Evacuate the area.

**TERRORISM AND ACTIVE SHOOTER SITUATIONS**

**EMERGENCY ACTION**

1. Call 911 and report intruder.

**RUN, HIDE OR FIGHT TIPS:**

1. **Prepare** – frequent training drills to prepare the most effectively.  
2. **Run and take others with you** – learn to stay in groups if possible.  
3. **Leave the cellphone.**  
4. **Can’t run? Hide** – lock the door and lock or block the door to prevent the shooter from coming inside the room.  
5. **Silence your cellphone** -- use landline phone line.  
6. **Why the landline?** It allows emergency responders to know your physical location.  
7. **Fight** – learn to “fight for your life” by utilizing everything you can use as a weapon.  
8. **Forget about getting shot – fight!** You want to buy time to distract the shooter to allow time for emergency responders to arrive.  
9. **Aim high** – attack the shooter in the upper half of the body: the face, hands, shoulder, neck.  
10. **Fight as a group** – the more people come together, the better the chance to take down the shooter.  
11. **Whatever you do, do something** – “react immediately” is the better option to reduce traumatic incidents.
To register for **Senior Seminar**:  

1. Go to [www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com](http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com).
2. Under Register, select **Student**.
3. Confirm you have the information needed, then select **OK! Register now**.
4. Enter your instructor’s course ID: **kovach60953**, and **Continue**.
5. Enter your existing Pearson account **username** and **password** to **Sign In**.  
   You have an account if you have ever used a Pearson MyLab & Mastering product, such as MyMathLab, MyITLab, MySpanishLab, MasteringBiology or MasteringPhysics.  
   If you don’t have an account, select **Create** and complete the required fields.
6. Select an access option.  
   - Enter the access code that came with your textbook or was purchased separately from the bookstore.  
   - Buy access using a credit card or PayPal account.  
   - If available, get temporary access by selecting the link near the bottom of the page.
7. From the You're Done! page, select **Go To My Courses**.
8. On the My Courses page, select the course name **Senior Seminar** to start your work.

**To sign in later:**  

1. Go to [www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com](http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com).
2. Select **Sign In**.
3. Enter your Pearson account **username** and **password**, and **Sign In**.
4. Select the course name **Senior Seminar** to start your work.

**To upgrade temporary access to full access:**  

1. Go to [www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com](http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com).
2. Select **Sign In**.
3. Enter your Pearson account **username** and **password**, and **Sign In**.
4. Select **Upgrade access** for **Senior Seminar**.
   5. Enter an access code or buy access with a credit card or PayPal account.