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# **PSY 230 Developmental Psychology**

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

**Prerequisites:** None

**Course Description:**

Studies the development of the individual from conception to death. Follows a life-span perspective on the development of the person' physical, cognitive, and psychosocial growth.

**Semester Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: 3**

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# PSY 230: Developmental Psychology

## Course Outcomes:

### At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Describe Life-Span Development as an ongoing developmental process or set of processes, involving both continuity and change by giving examples from literature, including physical, social, cognitive, and personality development.
2. Analyze different developmental events from the perspective of major theories of development and recognize those theories when used by others to analyze events.
3. Understand how research contributes to the understanding of development: to evaluate and use research findings.
4. Explain important developmental concepts, and be able to recognize and apply these concepts in various situations.
5. Understand the development and progression of psychopathology through the life-span.

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## Topical Description:

- Developmental Theory and Methods
- Heredity and The Environment
- Prenatal Development and Birth
- Sensation, Perception, Learning
- Physical Development
- Cognitive Development
- Information Processing
- Intelligence
- Language
- Emotional Development and Attachment
- Social Development
- Moral Development
- Personality
- The Family
- Gender Roles and Identity/ Sexuality
- Developmental Psychopathology
- Death and Dying

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## Notes to Instructors

Of the two text books listed, you only need to use one. One is topical and one is chronological.

### Required Materials:

1. Text Book
2. Internet access
3. Knowledge of Blackboard

### Textbook (required):

Sigelman, C. & Rider, E. (2015). *Life-Span Human Development* (8<sup>th</sup> Ed.). Belmont, CA: Wadsworth ISBN: 978-1-285-45431-3 (Topical text)

**Or**

Tanner, J. L., Alberts-Warren, A.E. & Bellack, D.(2015). *Visualizing the Lifespan* (1<sup>st</sup> ed.). Hoboken, NJ: Wiley (Chronological text) ISBN 978-1-119-25922-0

**The following supplementary materials are available and may be required by the instructor:**

For the Topical option: MindTap

For the Chronological option: Wiley Plus

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