A. Course Description

Credits: 4

Prerequisites: PSYC 100 General Psychology or equivalent with instructor's consent.

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies, Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci

This course is designed to provide students with a basic understanding of the social-learning approach and corresponding set of techniques for teaching and modifying individual behavior in group settings where the opportunity for individual attention is limited. Particular emphasis is placed on the importance of individual differences among children, including ethnic and gender differences. It is designed for individuals who have an interest in and/or responsibility for working with children, ages two-12, in group settings such as school-age child care and schools.

B. Course Effective Dates: 08/01/1998 - 09/05/1999 09/06/1999 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Ethical and sociocultural factors that contribute to children will be analyzed and evaluated
2. Student will be required to apply knowledge acquired to specific examples of child interactions
3. Student will be required to learn and understand how individual differences influence interactions with children
4. The social-learning approach to individual behavior will be presented

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies

None

Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci

1. Use and critique alternative explanatory systems or theories.
2. Develop and communicate alternative explanations or solutions for contemporary social issues.
3. Examine social institutions and processes across a range of historical periods and cultures.

G. Special Information

None