

PSYB65: Human Brain and Behavior

Recommended Text: Physiology of Behavior (10th ed.) Neil A. Carlson

References: Cognitive Neuroscience (2nd ed.) Gazzaniga, Ivry, and Manqun
Principles of Neural Science (4th ed.) Kandel, Schwartz, and Jessell

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Monday 3-5 pm

Course Outline (Tentative)

- Lecture 1 (Sept. 14). Structure-function relations: An overview
 Historical perspectives
 Modern techniques of functional brain mapping
 Neurotransmitter pathways
 Techniques of molecular neuroscience
- Lecture 2. (Sept 21) 1. Sleep and biological rhythms (3-4 pm)
 2. Vision and hearing (4-5 pm)
 Sensory transduction and encoding
 Mechanisms of selective visual/auditory attention
- Lecture 3. (Sept 28) Vision and Hearing (Continued)
- Lecture 4. (Oct 5) Emotion and emotional learning
 Emotional behavior and communication
 Brain mechanisms of emotional expression
 Emotional learning
- Lecture 5. (Oct 19) Ingestive behaviors: Regulation of feeding (3-4 pm)
 Midterm 1 (4:00-5:30 pm)
- Lecture 6. (Nov 2) Human Communication
 Speech production and comprehension
 Reading and writing
 Aphasia and alexia
- Lecture 7. (Nov 9) Learning and Memory
 Behavioral models of implicit and explicit memory
 Neural mechanisms of implicit memory (Conditioning and Perceptual Learning)
 Synaptic plasticity and explicit learning

- Lecture 8. (Nov 16) Learning and memory (continued)
Working memory (3-4 pm)
Midterm 2 (4:00-5:30 pm)
- Lecture 9 (Nov 23): Control of movement and motor learning
- Lecture 10 (Nov 30) Neural Basis of Psychiatric Disorders
Schizophrenia and major depression
Stress and disease
OCD and addiction

Marking Scheme: Midterm 1: 30%
Midterm 2: 30%
Final: 40%