

Welcome to Psychology 101

This is Introduction to Psychology (PSY 101) online. I am Professor Heather Jennings and I would like to take a minute to say “welcome” to each of you. You has a reason for taking this course, you could be fulfilling a course requirement and HAVE to take the class or you could be excited to take this because you would like to major in Psychology one day...there are hundreds of potential reasons for taking this class. The one thing you all have in common is that you are online students this semester. For some this may be your first online class, for others you’ve been down this virtual road before...

For those who are new to the virtual campus, this class may be very different than what some of you are used to...For starters, we will never meet in a classroom, in fact, I may never met any of you! All of our communication will be through emails, phone calls and discussion board postings. This can be very unsettling for many students. Because of this, it is very important for all students to be able to interact with the class and myself, digitally. This class does not require anyone to be a computer genius, but you must be able to use the tools available through our online format.

To ensure that you are all somewhat computer literate, I would like for each of you to get familiar using the ANGEL site...immediately. All course information, syllabus, grading policies, exams and assignments, basically everything you need to know for this class is available on the site. I will post weekly updates on the course calendar, please check the calendar for updates and events!

This class will cover the same content as a traditional face-to-face class, which is a lot! As online students, you have the advantage of designing your own schedule and completing your work when it is best for YOU! However, as online students, you have to keep yourself on track. Please remember that just because we don’t meet, doesn’t mean you will not work in this class! I will send out reminders throughout the class- but it is ultimately your responsibility to stay in contact with me and keep up with the pace of the class.

If there are ever any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time during this course ☺ I am available each week at online or campus office hours and anytime through email. I look forward to a great semester!