

An Overview of Developmental Psychology and Psychopathology

Course Number: MTC 5000 Section A; Online Course

6 Tuesdays, June 25, July 2, July 9, 16, 23 & 30; 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Tuition: \$350

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This non-credit, on-line course fulfills the pre-requisite requirements in Developmental and Abnormal Psychology necessary prior to matriculation in the Graduate Music Therapy program at Molloy College. Prospective graduate students are eligible to take this course only AFTER they have been officially accepted into the Graduate Music Therapy program. Students will be evaluated with either "Pass" or "Fail" and need to receive a "Pass" in order to begin matriculating in the graduate program.

The course is intended to provide the student with both an appreciation of normal psychological development and an understanding of developmental psychology. In order to fully appreciate the complexity of human development, the first half of the course will investigate the physical, cognitive, social and emotional aspects of the developmental lifespan. In addition, attention will be given to understanding complex theoretical approaches and research strategies employed in the study of human development. The second part will be devoted to psychopathological development as classified in the DSM IV-TR. Our study of behavior will be supported by empirically based clinical research and will use a biological, psychological and socio-cultural approach to understand the etiology, symptoms and available treatments for psychological disturbances.

Course Learning Objectives

- Explain behavioral genetics and evaluate heredity-environment interactions
- Describe the course of physical growth and development from conception to death
- Explain Piagetian, Vygotskian and Information Processing approaches to Cognitive Development
- Identify theories of Social and Emotional Development
- Discuss sex related differences and gender roles
- Identify and explain theories of moral development and reasoning throughout the lifespan
- Discuss the role of family, peers and media in both self and interpersonal development
- Critically evaluate theories of psychopathology
- Identify and describe the major forms of psychopathology
- Understand and explain the potential causes and possible treatments of abnormal behavior.

The course will be conducted completely online via GoToTraining. Students can login from any computer and call in to the class either through their computer using a headset with a microphone or by using a phone. Instructions for logging into the class will be sent to students prior to the start date.

Registration

Online registration is available at: www.molloy.edu/ce/registration Click on Online Registration and click View current course offerings. The course can be found under Music Therapy. Phone-in registration is available by calling 516-678-5000 ext. 6206 with your MasterCard or Visa. To register in person, by fax or mail, please follow the directions on our web page: www.molloy.edu/ce/registration under Registration.

Questions?

If you should have any questions regarding the Music Therapy Program, please contact Dr. Suzanne Sorel, MT-BC, LCAT, Associate Dean, Director of Graduate Music Therapy, Molloy College.

If you should have any questions regarding the registration process, please call the Continuing Education Office at: 516-678-5000 ext. 6206 or email them: conted@molloy.edu.