

NorthWest Arkansas Community College
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences,
Education and Wellness, Legal and Protective
Services

PSYC 2043 (Abnormal Psychology)

Catalog Description:

Abnormal Psychology - (On Demand). An introduction to the causes and treatment of abnormal and aberrant behavior and developmental disorders, with special emphasis on society and the causes of criminal behavior.

Prerequisites:

PSYC 2003 or consent of instructor

Credit Hours/Contact Hours/Load

hours: 3/3/3

Target Audience:

Appropriate for anyone interested in increasing their understanding of mental health and abnormal psychology. It can be used to fulfill Social/Behavioral credit-hour requirements in programs that do not require specific courses. PSYC 2043 may transfer to other institutions as a PSYC elective rather than Abnormal Psychology.

Learning Outcomes:

Theory and Content

- Recognize the major theoretical perspectives used to explain and treat psychological disorders.
- Describe major psychological disorders.

Critical Thinking and Research Methods

- Respect and use critical thinking, skeptical inquiry, and the scientific approach to solve problems related to behavior and mental processes
- Understand some basic concepts in critical thinking, statistics, psychological assessment and research.

Culture

- Discuss the role that culture and environment can play in psychological assessment and treatment.

Acceptance

- Exhibit an increased acceptance of and empathy for people with psychological disorders

