

Psychology Department SLOs

1. Critical Understanding of Psychology

Goal 1's objectives are that psychology professors provide clear, up-to-date information and appropriate learning contexts so that psychology majors can describe, explain and apply knowledge in the following domains:

- 1.1 Historical events of importance in psychology
- 1.2 The major theories and schools of psychological thought
- 1.3 Models of the person
- 1.4 Basic descriptive and inferential statistics

2. Written and oral skills, quantitative analysis, professional behavior

The Objectives for Goal 2 are that psychology professors will provide opportunities to learn, and psychology majors will exhibit progress in attaining an understanding of and demonstrating the ability to do the following:

- 2.1 Explain behavior using different psychological theories or models
- 2.2 Use the basic terminology of the discipline
- 2.3 Understand the general underlying logic of conducting research and have a beginning applied knowledge of how to do it.

3. Scientific method, personal and professional ethics and values

The objectives for Goal 3 are that psychology professors will model, and thus psychology majors will (a) be exposed to the value and worth of, and (b) describe and apply the following:

- 3.1 Scientific methods and reasoning - 3.2 Knowledge of individual differences and diversity, including but not limited to
- 3.2a self and others as people with a set of skills

3.2b the perspectives of others

3.2c studying the causes and effects of racism, sexism and other "isms"

3.3 Personal and professional ethics, including academic integrity and professional codes of behavior

3.4 Consideration of education and life itself to be a process of lifelong learning

3.5 Some of the skills of taking multiple perspectives and relativistic thinking