

## CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

Course: PY 207 Human Growth & Development

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: PY 101

Description:

A study of the major milestones in human development from infancy through the aging process as these stages are defined in our society

Learning Outcomes:

At the completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Describe the life span as an ongoing developmental process including physical, cognitive, and psychological development
- Discuss important developmental milestones from birth through old age
- Cite the contributions of nature and nurture throughout the lifespan
- Analyze developmental events from the perspectives of the major psychological theories
- Examine how failures in the developmental process, e.g. abuse, may translate into social problems and formulate plausible solutions based on research evidence.

Topical Outline:

- Understanding Life-Span Human Development
- Theories of Human Development
- Genes, Environment, and Development
- Prenatal Development and Birth
- Body, Brain and Health
- Sensation, Perception and Action
- Cognition
- Memory and Information Processing
- Intelligence and Creativity
- Language and Education
- Self and Personality
- Gender Roles and Sexuality
- Social Cognition and Moral Development
- Emotions, Attachment, and Social Relationships
- The Family
- Developmental Psychopathology
- Death and Dying

Text: Sigelman, Carol K., Rider, Elizabeth A. (2015). *Life-Span Human Development* (8<sup>th</sup>ed.).Cengage Learning.

Student Assessment: Assessment may be accomplished through projects, portfolios, exams, presentations and/or papers.

Academic Integrity: Plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism is presenting in written work, in public speaking, and in oral reports the ideas or exact words of someone else without proper documentation. Whether the act of plagiarism is deliberate or accidental [ignorance of the proper rules for handling material is no excuse], plagiarism is, indeed, a “criminal” offense. As such, a plagiarized paper or report automatically receives a grade of **ZERO** and the student may receive a grade of **F** for the semester at the discretion of the instructor.

Note: If you are having difficulty with work in this class tutoring is available through the Center for Academic & Student Success. If you think that you might have a learning disability, contact Project Assist at 856.691.8600 x 1282 for information on assistance that can be provided to eligible students.

### **Before Withdrawing From This Course**

If a student experiences adverse circumstances while enrolled in this course and considers withdrawing, s/he should see an advisor (division or advisement center) BEFORE withdrawing from the class. A withdrawal may cause harmful repercussions to completion rate standards and overall GPA which can limit or eliminate future financial aid in addition to causing academic suspension.