## **Global Learning Semesters**

# **Course Syllabus**

Course: PSY-220A Child and Adolescent Development

**Department: Social Sciences** 

Host Institution: Intercollege, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
PSY-220A	Child and Adolescent Development	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	PSY-110 and PSY-111
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Lower Division	English

### **Course Description**

Survey of the major theoretical perspectives and research findings in the study of prenatal development, infancy, childhood, and adolescence. The course covers the description and explanation of cognitive, language, personality, social, emotional, and physical development during these age periods.

#### **Prerequisites**

PSY-110 and PSY-111

### **Topic Areas**

- 1. Genetic Influences on Behavior
- 2. Sensory Development
- 3. The Nature-nurture Controversy
- 4. Continuity, Stages, Critical Periods
- 5. Acquiring Language
- 6. Cognitive Development (Piaget's Insights into Mental Growth)
- 7. Socialization
- 8. Gender Roles
- 9. Eriksson's Psychosocial Stages
- 10. Adolescence (Identity Crisis)

### **Readings and Resources**

#### **Required Textbook**

• G.R Lefrancois (1995). Of Children, An introduction to Child Development, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition. Belmont, California: Wadsworth Publishing Company.