# **Global Learning Semesters**

**Course Syllabus** 

Course: PSY-230 Brain and Behavior

**Department: Social Sciences** 

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
PSY-230	Brain and Behavior	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall	42	BIO-110, PSY-110, PSY-111
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Lower Division	English

### **Course Description**

Human brain development, genes and behavior, the structure of the neuron, neuronal communication, the structure (neuroanatomy) of the brain, the functions of the brain, glandular control of behavior, vision, hearing, emotions, thirst and hunger, lateralization and language, psychological disorders and the brain.

#### Instructor

Marios Constantinou, Ph.D.

### **Course Aims and Objectives**

Survey of the biological bases of behavior. The course involves the investigation of human evolution and the relation between genes and behavior. It also examines the effects of the brain and the nervous system as well as the endocrine system and internal processes of human behavior.

#### **Teaching Methods**

Lectures, discussions, lab works, assigned readings, demonstrations, projects, & video films.

#### **Course Teaching Hours**

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Fall semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

## **Evaluation and Grading**

3 tests: 20% each = 60%

Final Exam: 20% Final project: 20%

#### Readings and Resources

# **Required Textbook**

Kalat, J. W. (2004). Biological Psychology, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition. Belmont, California, USA: Thomson Wadsworth. Additional Supplemental packet