* **SUNY Gen Ed course**:

Social Science

**PSY 103: General Psychology**

**This section of PSY 103 has been designated an Enduring Questions (EQ) course.** One of the primary goals of the EQ designation is to demonstrate to participants that disciplines across the liberal arts and social sciences are grappling with similar ideas.

Throughout the semester, we will utilize readings and viewings from a list of primary source texts that have stood the test of time and reveal the complexity of the human condition. You will also have the opportunity to participate in conversations about a variety of ideas that are central to understanding the human experience.  Welcome to this Enduring Questions course!

**Enduring Questions (EQ) sections of PSY 103**

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**Catalog Description:**

Designed to give the student an introduction to the concepts required for the study of perception, conditioning, learning, intelligence, motivations, emotions, and personality. The interaction of heredity and environment is also stressed. Prerequisite to all other psychology courses.

* An EQ section of PSY 103 is not harder than other sections. The difference is in the approach: in an EQ section, you will read many ***enduring texts***, i.e. texts that have spoken on ***enduring questions*** to many different kinds of people in many different historical and cultural circumstances. Through critical reading and thinking – and some in-class discussions – you will discover how these texts can help you navigate your life in the 21st century.
* Here are some of the things you’ll able to do after taking this section of PSY 103:
* Describe the different scientific methods used in psychological research.
* Define and explain major psychological concepts and theories.
* Critically analyze research and theories of behavior.
* Explain how biological, psychological and socio-cultural factors influence behavior.

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