

**San José State University Psychology**  
**Psyc 139, Personality Psychology, Section 02, Fall 2022**

**Course and Contact Information**

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**Faculty Web Page and MYSJSU**

**Messaging Logging Into Canvas**

**Canvas Login URL:** <https://sjsu.instructure.com/>. All students and faculty must first set up their SJSUOne account before accessing Canvas. To do so, go to <http://its.sjsu.edu/services/sjsuone/>. You will see the courses you are taking (assuming the instructor is using Canvas).

**Further Assistance with Canvas**

Students should go first to <http://guides.instructure.com/m/4212> with problems and then to the University HelpDesk for Canvas problems, including logging in (<http://www.sjsu.edu/helpdesk/>).

**Course Description**

This is a survey course of all the major theories of personality: psychoanalytic, humanistic, trait, biological, and learning. Prerequisite: Psyc 01

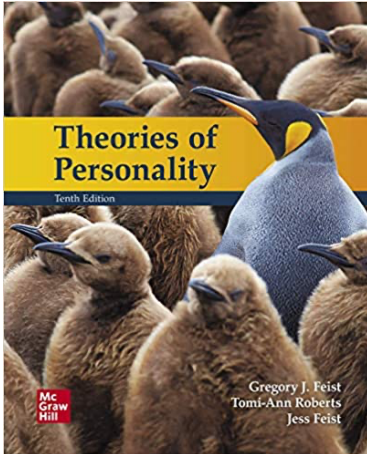
**Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) (Required)**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand that personality consists of how individuals differ in thought and behavior over time and across situations
2. understand the basic components of scientific theories and how they are evaluated
3. appreciate the personality, historical, and cultural contexts out of which each theory develops
4. grasp the fundamental tenets of each of the five major theoretical perspectives (psychoanalytic, humanistic, trait, biological, and learning).
5. be able to compare the principle conceptual/theoretical differences between
6. be able to compare and contrast how different theories treat the issues of unconscious motives, nature versus nurture, power of individual differences
7. be able to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of each theory
8. develop and put in writing their own theory of personality and propose a study for how it can be tested scientifically

## Required Texts/Readings

### Textbook



Feist, J., Feist, G.J. & Roberts, T.A. (2021). *Theories of Personality* (10<sup>th</sup> edition). McGraw-Hill.

SmartBook ONLY.

No rented paper-back or hard-copy (or straight-ebook) will work because there are weekly homeworks that can only be done through the SmartBook.

Semester rental is discounted from \$105 to \$70. You can access via Canvas>McGraw Hill Connect and then click on RENT BOOK on lefthand side or by clicking directly on this link:

[https://www.ecampus.com/shoppingcart?utm\\_campaign=connect-in-app&utm\\_medium=partner,%20partner&utm\\_source=mcgrental](https://www.ecampus.com/shoppingcart?utm_campaign=connect-in-app&utm_medium=partner,%20partner&utm_source=mcgrental)

Do NOT buy a paper or hardback version of the book!

Other technology requirements / equipment / material

- 50-question Scantron forms (#882)
- Regular access to a computer (with Internet connection), and possession of a wordprocessor program (MS Word, Pages, or GoogleDocs)

### COVID-Related Requirements

#### Masks

- See here for latest and most complete mask guidelines and policies:  
<https://www.sjsu.edu/healthadvisories/vaccination.php>
- Here are a few highlights
  - SJSU is in compliance with the county's order, which means **masks or face coverings must be worn by everyone while inside campus facilities or in a shared vehicle for a university-sponsored activity**. The only exception is if you are in a private office alone with the door closed or when you are eating or drinking.
  - In addition, individuals who are not fully vaccinated are also required to wear a mask when conducting field research tasks requiring interactions, and when outdoors and it is not possible to maintain six feet of physical distance from others.
  - Exceptions to the above for unvaccinated individuals are: 1) When alone in a vehicle while conducting a university-sponsored activity; 2) When alone in a private office with the door closed; 3) If work cannot be achieved safely with a mask in place; or 4) If an individual has an approved accommodation.
  - Not wearing masks, following social distancing policies in effect, will be a violation of student conduct code.
  - No food may be eaten in classrooms (SJSU policy as of Fall 2021)
- **COVID Vaccination and Testing**
  - <https://www.sjsu.edu/healthadvisories/vaccination.php>
  - Students, faculty, staff, auxiliary employees, volunteers and other unpaid appointments who access campus and other SJSU facilities and have not verified they are fully vaccinated will be

subject to mandatory COVID-19 testing. You will be removed from testing protocols after you have self-attested and provided documentation that you are fully vaccinated.

- Testing will begin the week of August 23 and will occur on campus — or at off-campus worksites, if applicable — at no cost on a weekly basis. Individuals who provide proof that they are fully vaccinated will not be required to undergo testing

#### Report a Case reminder

- From [health advisories subpage](#):
  - The transmission of the Delta variant is the primary cause for these health orders. As a reminder, SJSU strongly recommends you report a case of COVID-19 if you have tested positive for the virus or have had exposure to someone who has tested positive, regardless of your vaccination status. Use the [Report a Case portal](#) on the Health Advisories site to confidentially enter information, which will be shared with necessary campus officials.

### Course Requirements and Assignments

1. **Classes:** This class covers a large amount of material, therefore, attending lectures is crucial for your success in this class. There is too much information discussed in class that cannot be found in text and in the slides for you to do well in this course, without you attending regularly. If you want to do well, you will have to attend most every class. If you miss a class, you are responsible for getting the information from that class.
2. **Exams:** There will be two unit exams and one final exam, all of which consist of multiple-choice questions. You will have 1.25 hours to complete each unit exam. You have 2.25 hours to complete the final exam. No other make-up exams will be given. No bathroom breaks will be allowed.

No Make-up Exams Allowed: Only with valid written medical excuse will any exam be allowed at a time other than those scheduled for your class.

3. **Paper:** You will write a brief (5-page) paper in which you develop your own theory of personality and an even briefer (2-3 page) research proposal for how you would conduct research on your theory. These two parts will be part of one overall paper, which will be turned in **TU Nov 29 via Canvas (and automatically Turnitin.com)**. The paper is worth 100 points. You will receive a more detailed handout on what is expected with this paper.

Late Papers: I do accept late papers. For every day, however, after Nov 29 paper will be automatically docked 5 points/day. That is ½ a letter grade. So it is in your own best interest to make sure the paper is turned in on time. Papers will be turned in on Canvas (more details later).

4. **CONNECT/SmartBook Homework Assignments:** You have to complete 12 of the 13 total homework assignments over the course of the semester. None the first week. These are two separate things. First, do the study aid **SmartBook** (master 30-40 multiple choice questions) each week. Second, do the weekly quiz on **Connect**. You have to complete 12 and only 12 of these assignments, even though there will be one for each of the 13 chapters. SmartBook questions each week are worth up to 5 points; Connect is worth up to 5 points = 10 TOTAL Points. Connect has a time-limit of 60 minutes; once you start you have 60 minutes to complete. No starts and stops and coming back hours or days later. **There are NO MAKE-UPS on LearnSmart or Connect assignments.** You must do them the week they are assigned. Once they are gone, they are gone and cannot be made up.

As a form of **extra-credit**, I will allow a 13<sup>th</sup> SmartBook Practice and a 13<sup>th</sup> Connect Quiz to count for extra credit (a total of **10 extra credit points are available**). **There are no-redos if you miss the time deadline each week. Once the week's deadline is passed you may not complete the homework assignment. Please do not ask.**

**Note: 13<sup>th</sup> is the NOT Ch 13 but if you do 12 out of 12 homeworks, that is, you cannot miss any weeks if you want extra-credit.**

### Final Examination or Evaluation

The final exam will be held on **Tuesday Dec 13th** from 9:45am to noon in DMH 348. The final exam will be multiple choice and will not be cumulative.

If you have more than 2 finals in the 24-hour period around our final, you must request from me **in writing** on or before **December 1** a request to move the time up to an earlier time. You must also show me the other two syllabi that lists the final exams and their times.

### Grading Information

	Points	Percentage of Total Grade
Exam 1	90	17.6%
Exam 2	100	19.6%
Final Exam	100	19.6%
Homeworks (weekly)	120 (10 each)	23.5%
Writing Assignment	100	19.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Final Grade Distributions</b>		
Grade	Points	Percentage
A plus	482 to 510	94.5 to 100%
A	467 to 481	91.5 to 94.4%
A minus	456 to 466	89.5 to 91.4%
B plus	441 to 455	86.5 to 89.4 %
B	416 to 440	81.5 to 86.4%
B minus	405 to 415	79.5 to 81.4%
C plus	390 to 404	76.5 to 79.4%
C	365 to 389	71.5 to 76.4%
C minus	354 to 364	69.5 to 71.4%
D plus	339 to 353	66.5 to 69.4%
D	314 to 338	61.5 to 66.4%
D minus	303 to 313	59.5 to 61.4%
F	302 and below	59.4 and below

### Rounding is Included in the Grading Scale

The point totals reflect rounding up to the nearest percentage. For example, an A- would normally require 90%. With rounding, it only requires 89.5%. Because rounding is built in to the grading scale, your grade will be based on your final point total, rounded to the nearest whole percentage point (so, 456 points or 89.5% is an A-, but 455 points or 89.4% is a B+). **To be fair to everyone in the class, these are firm cutoffs, so please don't ask for additional bumping up.**

### Late Writing Assignments:

All writing must be turned in on Canvas before midnight on the scheduled due date. Assignments submitted after this deadline will lose 5 points immediately and an additional 3-4 points for every day that they are late.

No Make-up Exams Allowed: Only with valid written medical excuse will any exam be allowed at a time other than those scheduled for your class.

## **Classroom Protocol**

Attendance is strongly recommended, with careful note taking (no slides are posted on Canvas). Be considerate of others and the instructor if you must show up late or leave early.

Laptops are allowed for note taking only. If I sense you surfing the web or doing something other than taking notes (and I can often tell by how long you look at your screen and facial expressions) I will ask you to stop.

**Cellphones are NOT allowed at any time. Please do not use phone during class. I will ask you to put away or step outside.**

As a University student, you are encouraged to engage in professional communication with faculty, staff, and your fellow students. This is especially important in electronic mail notes that you might send. When sending email, I would encourage you to create an email account that includes your name (e.g., [greg.feist@sjsu.edu](mailto:greg.feist@sjsu.edu)). If you do not create such an email, be certain to include your name in the correspondence. Please be sure to follow the following basic guidelines when communicating in a professional capacity:

- Do not leave the "Subject" empty:
- Be sure to identify yourself clearly by stating your full name and the specific course in which you are enrolled. I have other classes with many students.
- If needed, clearly request a reply.
- Do not expect an immediate reply. Electronic communication is available 24/7. This is not true of your instructor or your classmates.

## **University Policies**

Per University Policy S16-9, university-wide policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs' [Syllabus Information webpage](http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo>

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Course Schedule**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines</b>	<b>Ch</b>
1	Tue Aug 23	Overview to Class; Introduction	1
1	Thu Aug 25	Introduction; Parts of a Scientific Theory	1
2	Tu Aug 30	Freud (ignore Stages of Development, pp. 43-51) PSYCHOANALYTIC	2
2	Th Sep 1	Freud	2
3	Mo Sep 5	Freud Connect & Learnsmart due	2
3	Tu Sep 6	Jung	4
3	Th Sept 8	Jung	4
4	Mo Sep 12	Jung Connect & Learnsmart due	4
4	Tu Sept 13	Horney	6
4	Th Sept 15	Horney	6
5	Mo Sep 19	Horney Connect LearnSmart due	6
5	Tu Sep 20	Exam 1	1,2,4,6
5	Th Sep 22	Erikson	7
6	Tu Sep 27	Erikson	7
6	Th Sept 29	Maslow	9
7	Mo Oct 3	Erikson Connect LearnSmart due	7
7	Tu Oct 4	Maslow	9
7	Th Oct 6	Rogers	10
8	Mo Oct 10	Maslow Connect LearnSmart due	9
8	Tu Oct 11	Rogers	10
8	Th Oct 13	Allport	12
9	Mo Oct 17	Rogers Connect LearnSmart due	10
9	Tu Oct 18	Allport TRAIT	12
9	Th Oct 20	McCrae & Costa	13
10	Mo Oct 24	Allport Connect LearnSmart due	12
10	Tu Oct 25	McCrae & Costa	13
10	Th Oct 27	Exam 2 Review; Paper Workshop	13
11	Mo Oct 31	McCrae & Costa Connect LearnSmart due	13
11	Tu Nov 1	Exam 2	7, 9, 10, 12, 13

11	Th Nov 3	Eysenck	BIOLOGICAL	14
12	Tu Nov 8	Eysenck		14
12	Th Nov 10	Buss		15
13	Mo Nov 14	Eysenck Connect LearnSmart due		14
13	Tu Nov 15	Buss		15
13	Th Nov 17	Skinner	LEARNING	16
14	Mo Nov 21	Buss Connect LearnSmart due		15
14	Tu Nov 22	Skinner		16
15	Th Nov 24	THANKSGIVING		
15	Mo Nov 28	Skinner Connect LearnSmart due		16
15	Tu Nov 29	Bandura Theory of Personality Assignment Due		17
15	Th Dec 1	Bandura/Mischel		17/18
16	Mo Dec 5	Bandura Connect LearnSmart due		17
16	Tu Dec 6	Mischel (only) (last class)		18
17	Mon Dec 12	Mischel Connect & LS due		18
Final Exam	Tuesday Dec 13 9:45am-noon	DMH 348		Ch 14-18