

# Minnesota State University Moorhead

## PSY 310: Psychology of Women

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites:

This course requires the following prerequisite  
PSY 113 - General Psychology

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

The interacting effects of biology, physiology, and psychology on female development, providing evidence on sex differences and role differentiation.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 02/17/1999 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Gender Stereotypes and Other Gender Biases.
2. Infancy and Childhood.
3. Adolescence.
4. Cognitive Abilities and Achievement Motivation.
5. Gender Comparisons in Social and Personality Characteristics.
6. Women and Work.
7. Love Relationships
8. Sexuality.
9. Pregnancy, Childbirth, and Motherhood.
10. Women and Physical Health.
11. Women and Psychological Disorders.
12. Violence Against Women.

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. To gain an understanding of gender and role differences to be able to understand the basic information about women's lives.
2. To identify the women of psychology; the contributions by historical and contemporary women psychologists
3. To develop critical-thinking skills and to analyze both the professional research and the articles in the popular media.
4. To assist students to make connections between own experiences with gender, the psychological theories relating to gender, and pertinent research findings.
5. To explore your own ideas and attitudes about gender, appreciating that we do not need to be constrained by traditional gender roles.

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

**F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT**

As noted on course syllabus

**G. SPECIAL INFORMATION**

None noted