



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

General Psychology II

2526-2-E2401P007

Learning area

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS USEFUL TO UNDERSTAND, PROMOTE AND CHANGE INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL FUNCTIONING

Learning objectives

Knowledge and Understanding

- Basic knowledge of the main theories and research areas in the psychology of thinking and language.
- Theories and recent experimental findings on the cognitive processes involved in the development of concepts, beliefs, opinions, and convictions, in problem solving, and in decision making, both individual and group-based.

Applying Knowledge and Understanding

- Practice of critical and argumentative thinking through analytical discussion of theories and research presented.
- Analysis of thought processes involved in real-life individual behavior.
- Application of simple quantitative psychological models.
- Use of basic probabilistic and inferential tools.
- Pragmatic analysis of texts, discourse, and problems.

Making Judgements

Students are encouraged to critically compare different theoretical perspectives and experimental approaches, developing critical thinking and evaluative independence in the analysis of data and scientific research. Through exercises, group work, and case study analysis, the autonomous application of acquired knowledge is fostered.

Assessment methods include tasks that require analytical, synthetic, and problem-solving skills, thus supporting the development of informed and conscious judgement.

Communication Skills

The course promotes the development of communication and argumentative skills through the discussion of exercises and theoretical aspects. The exam includes open-ended questions that require the use of appropriate language and the ability to convey the course content clearly and coherently.

Learning Skills

The course provides a solid foundation in the topics covered, enabling students to independently pursue further learning in related, more advanced areas.

Contents

The main theoretical approaches and their experimental support will be presented and discussed within the field of psychological research on reasoning, problem solving, decision making, language, communication, and intelligence.

Detailed program

Prerequisites

Teaching methods

Assessment methods

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Sustainable Development Goals

DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
