**PSY 1204 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology**

**Course aim:** The course providesan understanding of mental processes with an emphasis on how we process information and interpret our surroundings

**Course Content:** Topics to be covered include theories of learning including classical conditioning, operant conditioning and social learning theory; perception and interpretation of stimuli; memory and the stages of memory; motivation including the theories of motivation, primary drives, stimulus motives and learnt motives; emotion, components of emotion and the expression of emotion; concepts and formation of concepts; problem solving and strategies in problem solving.

**Reading List**

Cognitive Psychology (Hardcover, 2008) [Robert J. Sternberg](http://people.half.ebay.com/Robert-J-Sternberg_W0QQmZbooksQQcidZ1023570758) ISBN-10: [049550629X](http://product.half.ebay.com/Cognitive-Psychology_W0QQtgZinfoQQprZ63134694)
ISBN-13: [9780495506294](http://product.half.ebay.com/Cognitive-Psychology_W0QQtgZinfoQQprZ63134694) Mar 2008 Publisher: Wadsworth Pub Co

 Drugs, Society, and Human Behavior (Paperback, 2008) [Carl L. Hart](http://people.half.ebay.com/Carl-L-Hart_W0QQmZbooksQQcidZ1302716146), [Charles J. Ksir](http://people.half.ebay.com/Charles-J-Ksir_W0QQmZbooksQQcidZ1062104396), [Charles Ksir](http://people.half.ebay.com/Charles-Ksir_W0QQmZbooksQQcidZ1023871639), [Oakley S. Ray](http://people.half.ebay.com/Oakley-S-Ray_W0QQmZbooksQQcidZ1062104395) ISBN-10: [0073380792](http://product.half.ebay.com/Drugs-Society-and-Human-Behavior_W0QQtgZinfoQQprZ66230042) ISBN-13: [9780073380797](http://product.half.ebay.com/Drugs-Society-and-Human-Behavior_W0QQtgZinfoQQprZ66230042) Oct 2008 Publisher: McGraw-Hill Humanities Social

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