## SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Course Number:	PSYC 400	Department:	Psychology		
Course Title:	Principles of Normal/ Abnormal Behavior	Semester:	Spring	Year:	1999

## **Objectives/Competencies**

Course Objective	Competencies		
1. Ability to define and describe criteria for defining abnormal behavior.	1. Ability to recognize the historical, social roots involved when classifying behavior.		
2. To identify the multiple perspectives used in treating abnormal behavior.	1. Ability to describe the various perspectives and choices that one might be more effective than another in the treatment of a particular disorder.		
3. To question long-held assumptions and beliefs about abnormal behavior and mental illness.	1. Ability to demonstrate a working knowledge of each perspective in relation to abnormal behaviors.		
4. To define and describe specific behavioral disorders.	1. Ability to describe the various symptoms of a disorder and explain how specific perspectives would treat the disorder.		
5. Elaborate on the mind/body connection in assessing behavioral disorders.	<ol> <li>Ability to comment on the relationship between physiology and psychology as it relates to behavior.</li> </ol>		
6. Define psychological assessment.			

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	<ol> <li>Ability to define the purpose of assessment, its strengths and limitations.</li> <li>Ability to describe both the physiological and psychological tests used in assessment.</li> </ol>