Faculty: Faculty of Law Department: Psychology Professional area: Psychology

**Major:** Psychology

**Educational-and-qualification Degree:** Master

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

1. Course unit title: Experimental Psychology

2. Course unit code: PSY 30043. Type of course unit: compulsory4. Level of course unit: Master

5. Year of study: first6. Semester: first

7. Number of ECTS credits allocated: 4,5

8. Name of lecturer: Prof. Valeri Stoyanov, Ph.D.

- 9. Learning outcomes of the course unit: Students to learn the general theoretical problems of psychological experiment, to form skills for planning, conducting, data processing and presenting the results. Students to be aware of the possible approaches to studying psychomotor skills of the individual; methods of studying the main attributes of the nervous system, methods of studying senses, perception, fantasy, memory, thinking, imagination and emotions.
- 10. Mode of delivery: face-to-face
- 11. Prerequisites and co-requisites: Students are required to have taken the following courses: 'Introduction to Psychology', 'History of Psychology', 'Cognitive Psychology' and 'Personality Psychology'.
- 12. Course contents: During the course students are trained in methods of psychological research, structure of experimental psychological research; types of research plans (research design); ethical problems when psychological research is being conducted; methods to test psychomotorics; attributes of the nervous system; cognitive and emotional processes.
- 13. Recommended and/or required reading:

К е н т а у и ц, Б., Родигър III, Х., Елмс, Д. (2011). Експериментална психология. София.(Девето издание).

С т о я н о в, В., П. Нешев. (2003). Експериментална психология. Теория. Практикум. Варна, ВСУ "Ч. Храбър".

С т о я н о в, В. (2006). Експериментална психология. Тестове, Електронно пособие с тестове за самоподготовка. www. e-litera.com.Варна.

С т о я н о в, В. (2009). Теория и практика на експерименталното психологично изследване. Варна, Псидо.

С т о я н о в а, С. (2011). Експериментална психология. Благоевград, Издателство на ЮЗУ.

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- 14. Planned learning activities and teaching methods: Lectures, seminars, self-study, writing and defence of two course assignments.
- 15. Assessment methods and criteria: Training in the course is finalized by a defence of a course project. The assessment of the course project is a result of the submitted written report of the conducted research and analysis of the results and the oral defence. The course project assignment evaluation is based on the report of the study form (weight 0.5) and oral defence (weight 0.5). The evaluation depends on

completeness of the report and the logical consistence of the presentation as well as the correct formulation of objectives, tasks, hypotheses of study, selected experimental design usage of adequate methods for collecting empirical data, correct processing and analysis of data. The oral defence is assessed by a brief presentation of the project objectives, the research procedure and the results, as well as the answers to the questions asked by the lecturers.

16. Language of instruction: Bulgarian, English.

17. Work placement: none