

**\*NEW FOR FALL 2020\***

## **PSYCH 2813: SPECIAL TOPICS**

*Courses below count as 200 level electives towards the Psych Major or Minor.*

*Open to all students who meet the Psych 101 Pre-requisite*

### **Psychology of Women**

**Instructor: Prof. Ashley Dixon**

**Tues/Thurs 10:45am-12pm**

**Psych 2813 sec 01, Registration code 48622** Prereq: Psych 101

This course explores the psychological and social factors associated with the female identity, including gender-role stereotypes, socialization practices, and male-female differences. It examines how various components such as health, work, relationships, sexuality, and violence develop, influence, and affect the population of women.

### **Psychology and the Law**

**Instructor: Prof. Erica Doran**

**Tuesdays 5pm-7:50pm**

**Psych 2813 sec 02, Registration code 48625** Prereq: Psych 101

**Graduate students** should enroll under the Psych 7913 course number

The fields of psychology and law are closely related. Both deal with, among other things, the nature and consequences of human behavior. This course will examine and provide students with an understanding of how psychological theories and empirical research from the areas of social, cognitive, behavioral and clinical psychology apply to both the civil and criminal justice systems, examining the intersection of social science and the law. We will address an assortment of topics, including issues of identity (e.g., eyewitness identification, interrogation, lie detection, and profiling), state of mind (e.g., competency, insanity, and other state-of-mind legal defenses), legal process (e.g., jury selection, jury decision-making, assessments of evidence, and the sentencing process), social policies (e.g., deterrence, capital punishment, and discrimination), and the use of social science methods in legal proceedings.