

# PSYC1202 - Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders

Credits:	3 (3/0/0)
Description:	Meets MnTC Goal Area 5. This is a comprehensive introductory course to autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Students will gain a general understanding of the history, etiology, characteristics and assessment of ASD. This course will highlight current research regarding neurodevelopmental issues in autism, the diagnostic criteria used to identify children with ASD, and collaborative and interdisciplinary models of service delivery that ensure family-centered and culturally-competent approaches to assessment and intervention.
Prerequisites:	
Corequisites:	
Pre/Corequisites*:	
Competencies:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Describe the characteristics associated with ASD.</li><li>2. Examine the history of ASD.</li><li>3. Identify and give examples of myths and controversies surrounding causes of ASD.</li><li>4. Examine current research on the etiology of ASD.</li><li>5. Describe the diagnostic criteria for ASD.</li><li>6. Describe assessment techniques for diagnosis and treatment of ASD.</li><li>7. Describe intervention models most commonly used in the treatment of individuals with ASD.</li><li>8. Identify key concepts and strategies within evidence-based practices and interventions for individuals with ASD.</li><li>9. Identify systems of support for individuals with ASD and their families.</li></ol>
MnTC goal areas:	5. History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences

\*Can be taken as a Prerequisite or Corequisite.