

ENGLISH VERSION

ROMANIAN-AMERICAN UNIVERSITY School of Psychology and Educational Sciences
Department of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences

COMPETITION TOPICS for the position of Assistant/Lecturer, disciplines: History of Psychology, Neuropsychology, Fundamentals of Psychology I, and Fundamentals of Psychology II

1. History of Psychology a) Object and issues of the history of psychology. From antiquity to modern paradigms; b) Major schools and currents: Structuralism and Functionalism; c) Behaviorism and Psychoanalysis – historical landmarks and representatives; d) Gestaltism and the emergence of the humanistic perspective in psychology; e) Cognitivism and contemporary psychology; f) The history of psychology in Romania.

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2. Neuropsychology a) History of neurosciences and methods of exploring the nervous system (anatomical, functional, imaging); b) Brain development: neurogenesis, synaptogenesis, and neuronal plasticity; c) Sensory-motor organization and the neural bases of learning and memory; d) The social brain: mirror neurons, empathy, and social behavior; e) Major neural networks (ventral, dorsal, default mode) and inter-network connectivity; f) Brain-body relationship: interactions between the nervous, immune, and endocrine systems.

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3. Fundamentals of Psychology I a) The object of study of psychology and specific research methods; b) Critical thinking in psychology; c) Principles of psychology (determinism, systemicity, development); d) The Human Psychic System (HPS): characteristics and structure; e) Structural levels of the psyche: Conscious, Subconscious, Unconscious; f) Altered states of consciousness; g) The physiological basis of psychic life.

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4. Fundamentals of Psychology II a) Sensory processes: sensation, perception, and representation; b) Higher cognitive processes: thinking (structures and operations), memory (forms and processes), imagination; c) Language and communication: functions and forms; d) Regulatory processes: motivation (forms, structures), volition, and attention; e) Affectivity: classification of affective processes and theories of emotions.

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