

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY Faculty of Arts

Psychology 201 Principles of Psychology II Summer 2013

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Course description

This course provides a general introduction to the study of basic psychological processes, and will give students basic knowledge of the many aspects of psychology, especially biological and cognitive aspects of psychology. The subjects discussed include:

- Psychology as a biological science
- The diverse sub-fields of psychology focusing on basic processes
- Understanding current psychological theories focusing on basic processes
- Basic methodologies and terminology used in different areas of psychology

Lectures are intended to highlight and extend, rather than summarize, assigned text readings. You will benefit most from lectures if you read the assigned material *prior* to the corresponding lecture. Class outlines will be available on the Department of Psychology website:

http://www.psych.ucalgary.ca/students/courses/ and on the course Blackboard site.

These outlines are provided to assist you in organizing and understanding the material and are not a substitute for class attendance.

Prerequisites

Psychology 200 - Principles of Psychology I

Required Text: Comer, Ronald; Gould, Elizabeth; Ogden, Nancy and Boyes, Mike (2012) **Psychology Around Us: Canadian Edition** Wiley Canada, Toronto.

There are online resources available for this textbook.

http://bcs.wiley.com/he-bcs/Books?action=index&itemId=0470678895&bcsId=6893

Blackboard for PSYC 200 (01)

There is an area on the general campus Blackboard site set aside for this course. Blackboard can be accessed via this link; http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/webapps/login THIS SITE SHOULD BE YOUR FIRST STOP FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT COURSE TOPICS DATES ETC.

Evaluation

Two term tests and a final exam are scheduled. All are non-cumulative, multiple-choice tests based on **both** textbook and lecture material (including films and other demonstrations). Not all test material will be covered in class, and some test material covered in class will not be covered in the text, so regular attendance is important for success in this course. Note that you are responsible for **all** assigned readings from the text even if the specific content has not been covered in lectures. The use of class notes or the text book, computers, cell phones or other electronic devices is prohibited during the tests in this course.

Your course grade will be computed as the average of your three exams PLUS your Experiential Learning score (2%) (see section below). If you miss a quiz, a make-up quiz may be arranged but you may be required to supply me with Physician/Counselor Statement(s) indicating the reason for the missed test as soon as possible after the missed exam.

"Test-Taking Advice: Especially for the Multiple-Choice Challenged": http://psyc.ucalgary.ca/sites/psych.ucalgary.ca/files/Test Taking Advice.pdf

Course Credits for Research Participation (Max 2% of final grade)

Students are eligible to participate in departmentally approved research and earn credits toward their final grades. A maximum of two (2) credits (2%) per course, including this course, may be applied to the student's final grade. Students earn 0.5% (0.5 credits) for each full 30 minutes of participation. The demand for timeslots may exceed the supply in a given term. Thus, students are not guaranteed that there will be enough studies

available to them to meet their credit requirements. Students should seek studies early in the term and should frequently check for open timeslots. Students can create an account and participate in Departmentally approved research studies at http://ucalgary.sona-systems.com

The last day to participate in studies and to assign or reassign earned credits to courses is **August 14**th, **2013.**

Grading Scale

Percentages below indicate the standard required for each letter grade. These cutoffs may be lowered but will not be raised.

A+	96-100%	B+	80-84%	C+	67-71%	D+	54-58%
Α	90-95%	В	76-79%	С	63-66%	D	50-53%
A-	85-89%	B-	72-75%	C-	59-62%	F	0-49%

As stated in the University Calendar, it is at the instructor's discretion to round off either upward or downward to determine a final grade when the average of term work and final examinations is between two letter grades. To determine final letter grades, *final* percentage grades will be rounded up to the nearest whole percentage (i.e., 89.50% will be rounded up to 90% but 89.49 will not).

Absence from a Test/Exam

Make-up term tests are only available under special circumstances (see "Evaluation" above). You must write the final exam during the exam period. Should you miss it, a make-up exam is not an option without an official University medical excuse. You must contact the instructor <u>before</u> the scheduled examination or you will have forfeited any right to make up the exam. A completed Physician/Counsellor Statement may be required to confirm absence from a Quiz for health reasons. The student will be required to pay any cost associated with the Physician/Counsellor Statement.

Absence from a final exam, and deferral of a final exam, are handled by Enrolment Services (see http://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/deferred_final). Students absent from a final exam must notify the instructor within 48 hours and must then apply for an official deferred final exam no later than the deadline indicated in the Examinations Schedule.

Travel During Exams

Consistent with University regulations, students are expected to be available to write scheduled exams at any time during the official December, April, or Spring/Summer examination periods. Requests to write a make-up exam because of conflicting travel plans (e.g., flight bookings) will NOT be considered except under exceptional circumstances. Students are advised to wait until the final examination schedule is posted before making any travel arrangements.

Reappraisal of Grades

A student who feels that a piece of graded term work (e.g., term paper, essay, test) has been unfairly graded, may have the work re-graded as follows. The student shall discuss the work with the instructor within 15 days of being notified about the mark or of the item's return to the class. If not satisfied, the student shall immediately take the matter to the Head of the department offering the course, who will arrange for a reassessment of the work within the next 15 days. The reappraisal of term work may cause the grade to be raised, lowered, or to remain the same. If the student is not satisfied with the decision and wishes to appeal, the student shall address a letter of appeal to the Dean of the faculty offering the course within 15 days of the unfavourable decision. In the letter, the student must clearly and fully state the decision being appealed, the grounds for appeal, and the remedies being sought, along with any special circumstances that warrant an appeal of the reappraisal. The student should include as much written documentation as possible.

Plagiarism and Other Academic Misconduct

Intellectual honesty is the cornerstone of the development and acquisition of knowledge and requires that the contribution of others be acknowledged. Consequently, plagiarism or cheating on any assignment is regarded as an extremely serious academic offense. Plagiarism involves submitting or presenting work in a course as if it were the student's own work done expressly for that particular course when, in fact, it is not. Students should examine sections of the University Calendar that present

a Statement of Intellectual honesty and definitions and penalties associated with Plagiarism/Cheating/Other Academic Misconduct.

Academic Accommodation

It is a student's responsibility to request academic accommodation. If you are a student with a disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 403-220-8237. If you are seeking academic accommodation, please notify your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the commencement of the course.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act

The FOIP legislation disallows the practice of having student's retrieve tests and assignments from a public place. Therefore, tests and assignments may be returned to students during class/lab, or during office hours, or via the Department Office (Admin 275), or will be made available only for viewing during exam review sessions scheduled by the Department. Tests and assignments will be shredded after one year. Instructors should take care to not link students' names with their grades, UCIDs, or other FOIP-sensitive information.

Evacuation Assembly Point

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints

Please check this website and note the nearest assembly point for this course.

Student Organizations

Psychology students may wish to join the Psychology Undergraduate Students' Association (PSYCHS). They are located in Administration 170 and may be contacted at (403) 220-5567.

Student Union VP Academic: Phone: (403) 220-3911 <u>suvpaca@ucalgary.ca</u>

Student Union Faculty Rep.: Phone: (403) 220-3913 <u>socialscirep@su.ucalgary.ca</u>

Student Ombudsman's Office

The Office of the Student Ombuds provides independent, impartial and confidential support for students who require assistance and advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. The office can be reached at 403-220-6420 or ombuds@ucalgary.ca (http://www.su.ucalgary.ca/services/student-services/student-rights.html).

Safewalk

The safewalk program provides volunteers to walk students safely to their destination anywhere on campus. This service is free and available 24 hrs/day, 365 days a year.

Call 403-220-5333.

Important Dates

The last day to drop this course with no "W" notation and still receive a tuition fee refund the last day for registration/change of registration is July 4th, 2013. The last day to withdraw from this course is August 14th, 2013.

Tentative Schedule

NOTE: While Test Dates are FIXED, topic dates may shift a bit!

Date	Topics	Readings
Wed Jun 5	Last day to register for courses with pre-session study.	
Tue July 2	Summer Term Lecture begins.	
	Human Development	Ch 3
R July 4	Last day to change registration (drop, add, or swap courses).	
	Human Development / Motivation	Ch 3, 11
T July 9	Motivation	Ch 11,
R July 11	Emotion	Ch 12
F July 12	Fee payment deadline.	
T July 16	Quiz # 1 (Chapters 3, 11, 12)	Ch 3, 11, 12
	Intelligence	Ch 10
R July 18	Intelligence	Ch 10
T July 23	Personality	Ch 13
R July 25	Personality / Social Psychology	Ch 13, 14
T July 30	Social Psychology	Ch 14
R August 1	Quiz # 2 (Chapters 10, 13, 14)	
	Stress, Coping and Health	Ch 15
T August 6	Stress, Coping and Health / Psychological Disorders	Ch 15, 16
R August 8	Psychological Disorders	Ch 16
T August 13	Summer Term Lectures End.	
	Treatment of Psychological Disorders	Ch 17
W August 14	Last day to withdraw from full session Summer Term courses.	
R August 15	Last day to withdraw from Spring and Summer Multi-term courses.	
August 15-17	ust 15-17 Final exam dates for full session Summer Term courses and Spring	
	Summer Multi-term courses.	
	Quiz # 3 (Chapters 15, 16, 17)	Ch 15, 16, 17