

CAMOSUN COLLEGE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT
PSYCHOLOGY 203
INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY

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TEXT Aronson, E., Wilson, T. & Fehr, B. (2001). *Social Psychology*. Toronto: Prentice Hall.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

In this course, students will achieve knowledge of their own and others' integration into society; the ways in which behaviour is and was influenced by groups, stratification, roles, and stereotypes; how and to what extent behaviour is influenced by language, morality, attitudes, prejudices, propaganda, and various leadership roles.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The students will be familiar with the basic vocabulary, concepts, principles and research in the field of social psychology. They will learn to communicate in both written and oral formats about these ideas. They will develop basic library and internet research skills. They will be familiar with thinking in psychological terms and be able to apply those ideas to the self and their social world.

FORMAT

There will be one 2 hour class and one 1 hour class per week in both lecture and seminar style. Some use of the computer for communicating and internet research will be required. Students are expected to attend consistently because new material will be presented in class. Students are also expected to take responsibility for their own learning by doing the assigned reading prior to class. The instructor reserves the right to refuse late assignments or to apply a penalty to them.

EVALUATION

Concepts exam	20
Midterm exam	20
Final exam	20
Term paper	20
Presentation	15
In-class assignments	5
Total	<hr/> 100

GRADING

A+	95-100	Superior levels of achievement
A	90-94	
A-	85-89	
B+	80-84	High levels of achievement
B	75-79	
B-	70-74	
C+	65-69	Satisfactory level
C	60-64	Sufficient level
D	50-59	Minimum level of achievement
F	<50	Minimum level not achieved

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ME.

SCHEDULE WINTER 2003

WEEK	TUESDAY DATES	TOPIC AND READING	ASSIGNMENTS EXAMS
1	JAN. 7	INTRODUCTION CH 1 & 2	
2	JAN. 14	SOCIAL PERCEPTION/COGNITION CH 3 & 4	
3	JAN. 27	SOCIAL SELF CH 5 & 6	
4	JAN. 28	CONFORMITY & OBEDIENCE CH 8 & 9 (p322-340 & 350-354)	
5	FEB. 4	COMPLIANCE	CONCEPTS EXAM THURS. FEB 6
6	FEB. 11	ATTITUDE CHANGE THE MEDIA CH 7	NO CLASS THURSDAY FEB 13 READING BREAK
7	FEB. 18	BEHAVIOUR CHANGE THERAPY, HYPNOSIS	
8	FEB. 25	GROUPS CULTS	
9	MAR 4	GROUP BEHAVIOUR MASS HYSTERIA, COLLECTIVE DELUSIONS	
10	MAR. 11	PREJUDICE CH 13	MIDTERM EXAM THUR. MARCH 13
11	MAR. 18	AGGRESSION SERIAL KILLERS CH 12	
12	MAR. 25	CONFLICT GENOCIDE CH 9 (p340-367)	
13	APR. 1	PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ALTRUISM, EQUITY THEORY CH 11	
14	APR. 8	THE ENVIRONMENT CODA APPENDIX #2 (P578-603)	TERM PAPER DUE THURSDAY APR. 11
15	APR. 15	FINAL EXAM	FINAL EXAM TBA

This schedule may be subject to change.