# 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. You may use either the first or second edition.

## 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	100

#### GRADING

A+ A A-	95-100 90-94 85-89	Superior levels of achievement
B+ B B-	80-84 75-79 70-74	High levels of achievement
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 2004**

WEEK	TUESDAY	TOPIC AND	ASSIGNMENTS
	DATES	READING	EXAMS
1	JAN. 6	INTRODUCTION	
		CH 1 & 2	
2	JAN. 13	SOCIAL PERCEPTION/COGNITION	
		CH 3 & 4	
3	JAN. 20	SOCIAL SELF	
		CH 5 & 6	
4	JAN. 27	CONFORMITY & OBEDIENCE	
		CH 8 & 9	
5	FEB. 3	ATTITUDE CHANGE	CONCEPTS EXAM
		THE MEDIA	THURS. FEB 5
6	FEB. 10	ATTITUDE CHANGE	NO CLASS
		THE MEDIA	THURSDAY FEB 12
		CH 7	READING BREAK
7	FEB. 17	ATTITUDE CHANGE	
		THERAPY, HYPNOSIS	
8	FEB. 24	GROUPS	
		CULTS	
9	MAR. 2	GROUPS	
		MASS HYSTERIA,	
		COLLECTIVE DELUSIONS	
10	MAR. 9	PREJUDICE	MIDTERM EXAM
		CH 13	THUR. MARCH 11
11	MAR. 16	AGGRESSION	
		SERIAL KILLERS	
		CH 12	
12	MAR. 23	CONFLICT	
		GENOCIDE	
13	MAR. 30	PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOUR	
		ALTRUISM, EQUITY THEORY	
		CH 11	
14	APR. 6	LOVE AND ATTRACTION	TERM PAPER DUE
		CH 10	THURSDAY APR. 9
15	APR. 13	FINAL EXAM	FINAL EXAM
			TBA

This schedule may be subject to change.