

**CAMOSUN COLLEGE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT
PSYCHOLOGY 130 ON LINE
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN PSYCHOLOGY**

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TEXT: The readings for the course are all online websites. See the audio shows for details. There are also videos on reserve in the library for required viewing.

CALENDAR: This course acquaints students with major contemporary issues in psychology and considers their historical antecedents. Topics in life span development, personality, abnormal behaviour, social cognition, social influence, and social relations are considered.

FORMAT: Internet - There are two 60 minute realtime audio shows per week which are a combination of lecture, interviews, and discussion. The shows will be archived on Webct online so that you may access them at any time convenient to you. The shows will also be available live on CKMO Village 900 AM, Camosun College Radio. Tapes of the shows will be available on reserve in the library.

EVALUATION:

Student Radio Panel	10%
Midterm	20%
Three written assignments	45%
Final exam	25%

GRADING	A+ 95-100	Superior levels of
	A 90-94	achievement
	A- 85-89	
	B+ 80-84	High levels of
	B 75-79	achievement
	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 OR CONCERNS AT ALL, PLEASE CONTACT ME.

SCHEDULE WINTER 2005

	TOPIC, READINGS, AND VIDEOS		ASSIGNMENTS
MONDAY DATES	SHOW 1	SHOW 2	
Jan 10	Required Orientation	Wed Jan 12, 5-6:30 pm	
Jan 17	Introduction	Theory	
Jan 24	Identity	Social Influence Video The Power of the Situation	
Jan 31	Collective Delusions	Hypnosis Video Captive Minds	Student Panel Taping This week
Feb 7	Cults	Torture	
Feb 14	Media Video Killing Us Softly 3	Media Control	Ass. #1 Due Wed. Feb 16
Feb 21	Development	Prejudice	Midterm Exam Wed. Feb 23 5-6:30 pm
Feb 28	Homosexuality	Gender	
Mar 7	Wellness	Biomedical Ethics	
Mar 14	Abnormal	Therapy	Ass.#2 Due Wed. Mar 16
Mar 21	Law	Criminal Justice-Prisons Video Bowling for Columbine	
Mar 28	Deviancy (Psychopaths)	Evil and Genocide	
Apr 4	Brazilian Street Children/ Transgender	Student panel shows	
Apr 11	Race Science/ Course overview		Ass. #3 Due Wed. Apr 13
Apr 18	Final Exam TBA		

Midterm covers shows 1-10 and assigned videos and readings.

Final exam covers from shows 11-24 and assigned videos and readings.

PSYCHOLOGY 130
ISSUES IN CONTEMPORARY PSYCHOLOGY
REQUIRED VIDEO VIEWING LIST

On reserve at the library

BOWLING FOR COLUMBINE	120 min	ALSO AVAILABLE AT SOME VIDEO STORES
CAPTIVE MINDS	60 min	ALSO AVAILABLE AT SOME VIDEO STORES
POWER OF THE SITUATION	30 min	LIBRARY CALL NUMBER BF141 D572 NO.19
KILLING US SOFTLY 3	30 min	ALSO AVAILABLE AT SOME VIDEO STORES

PSYCHOLOGY 130 ASSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

All assignments should be typed if possible. All assignments must be on time or there may be a penalty. See me before they are due, not after. Good papers are usually clear, concise, and comprehensive. Assignments can also be sent by email as an attachment in a MS Word compatible format.

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS (THREE) 45%

There will be 3 assignments covering the material in the radio shows, reading, student panels, and videos. These are basically take-home quizzes that will test your knowledge of the material and your ability to apply that knowledge to contemporary social problems. They will be short answer type questions, approximately 3 pages long (1000 words). The questions will be available on the internet. Please turn them in under my office door if I am not there, or by email.

MIDTERM 20%

The midterm will be 90 minutes long and will cover material from the radio, readings, and videos. There will be short essay (paragraph) and short answer (2-3 sentences) questions. A written study guide will be available.

FINAL EXAM 25%

The final exam will be two hours long and will cover the material from the radio, text and videos. The exam will cover only the material from after the midterm. There will be short essay (paragraph) and short answer (2-3 sentences) questions. A written study guide will be available.

STUDENT PANEL DISCUSSION 10%

The student will prepare for and participate in a discussion to be broadcast on the radio, led by the instructor and involving 3 to 4 other students, on a specific topic. For the panel participants, the day of the panel a one page written summary is due laying out the basic ideas that the student will be discussing on the show. Evaluation will be based on preparation for and participation in the discussion, knowledge and awareness of the topic, and the written summary. Dates for recording and topics for discussion will be provided.

PLEASE SEE ME IF YOU ARE UNCLEAR ABOUT ANY OF THE ASSIGNMENTS.