

School of Arts & Science Psychology

Psyc 150: Child Development Winter, 2007

COURSE OUTLINE

Instructor Information

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Web CT

The course materials (web-notes, focus topics, course outline and grades) are available on my website, and were developed using webct. The first time you go to the site, follow these steps:

- > Type http://webct.camosun.bc.ca into your address bar
- A screen with a little graduate will appear in the left hand corner. Click on "Log in to my Web CT"
- A screen will appear that says "Web CT ID". In the box, enter your Camosun College student ID number (e.g. C0123456)
- Beside "password" enter changeme
- Click log-in. It will prompt you to immediately change your password. Complete that, then log-in.
- A small information bar will appear along the top of the screen. It will say "Psyc 150: Instructor: Katrina Gantly". Click on the Psyc 150. This will take you to my homepage.

After this, it is much simpler. You'll login using your camosun ID and new password, it will immediately take you to the web-page.

During the first week of classes, students are often adding or dropping classes. In order to access WebCT, you must be added to the course list by our distributed education team. Because this sometimes takes a few days, for the first week I will bring hardcopies of any documents to class for you. If you experience any difficulties logging into WebCT, please let me know and I'll help you in any way I can.

Course Description and Intended Learning Outcomes

How children grow and develop physically, intellectually, emotionally, psychologically, and socially is the subject matter of this course. There is an emphasis on needs at any given age and stage and how these needs can best be met.

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Describe the developmental changes from conception through adolescence.
- 2. Explain the reasons for those changes.
- 3. Summarize the main developmental theories in psychology.

The outcomes will be measured by a combination of examinations, assignments, presentations, group work, and discussions.

Required Materials

Texts: The Developing Person Through Childhood and Adolescence by K. Berger (Worth Publishers 2006)

Optional Materials: Web-notes from my website (listed above). They will be available prior to each lecture for students who are interested in printing out overhead/power point material prior to class. In the event that I am unable to post the notes on the web at least 24 hours prior to lecture, I will bring hard-copies of the notes to class. It is important to note that the web-notes represent only about 1/2 of what is covered in lecture. Therefore, if you should happen to miss class due to illness, etc. you should try to get the lecture notes from a friend.

Course Content and Schedule

Course Meeting Times:

Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 – 11:20 AM, Fisher 306

Evaluation Methods:

- 1. Tests: There will be four tests in total, covering approximately 3-5 chapters each. The tests will count for 15% each for a total of 60% from tests. Format will include variations of 1/3 points from multiple choice, true/false, matching, etc.; 1/3 points from short answer (1-3 sentence answers) and 1/3 points from paragraph answers (5-8 sentences each). Focus topics will outline, in advance, the exact format for each test. The tests are not cumulative and will be given during lecture. Please make sure that you arrive on time, so that you have the full time allotted to write each test. If you miss a test due to illness and have a doctor's note, you may write a make-up exam.
- 2.Assignments: There will be three assignments in total. These will take on a variety of formats, but all will require an application of the concepts and a brief write-up regarding your findings, or answering questions regarding the applied task. To make sure that you get proper credit for your work, please make sure that you have included your full name and student number clearly on each assignment. Each assignment will be worth 7% of your final grade for a total of 21% from assignments.
- 3.Research Paper: You will be asked to conduct a series of observations with an infant, child or adolescent; then, using developmental theories, you will analyze these observations across physical, cognitive and social domains. This will be written up in APA style and will be described in greater detail as the course progresses. This research paper will be worth 19% of your grade.

Summary of Evaluation:

Tests: Four tests X 15% each = 60% of total grade
Assignments: Three X 7% each = 21% of total grade
Paper: 19% of total grade

Grading System

The following percentage conversion to letter grade will be used:

A+ = 95 - 100%	B = 75 - 79%	D = 50 - 59%
A = 90 - 94%	B- = 70 - 74%	F = 0.0 - 49%
A- = 85 - 89%	C+ = 65 - 69%	
B+ = 80 - 84%	C = 60 - 64%	

Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed in the Course

^{***}Please feel free to email me or come to office hours if you need any extra help.

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Registrar's Office or the College web site at http://www.camosun.bc.ca

ACADEMIC CONDUCT POLICY

There is an Academic Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-5.html

Tentative Schedule of Lectures and Tests

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Week One	
Tues, Jan 9	Course Outline and Introduction
	Characteristics of Development (Chap. 1)
Thur, Jan 11	Theories of Development (Chap. 2)
	Assignment 1 Assigned
Week Two	
Tues, Jan 16	The Genetic Code (Ch. 3)
Thurs, Jan 18	Prenatal Development (Ch. 4)
	Assignment 1 Due
Week Three	
Tues, Jan 23	Prenatal Development cont'd (Ch. 4)
Thurs, Jan 25	Birth: Labour, Variations, Complications and the Newborns' Experience (Ch.4)
Week Four	
Tues, Jan 30	Test One: Chapters 1-4 from text, web-notes and lecture
Thurs, Feb 1	Chapters 5,6,7: The First Two Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
Week Five	
Tues, Feb 6	Chapters 5, 6, 7: The First Two Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
•	Assignment 2 Assigned
Thurs, Feb 8	No class today: Reading Break
Week Six	
Tues, Feb 13	Chapters 5, 6, 7: The First Two Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
Thurs, Feb 15	Chapters 5, 6, 7: The First Two Years: Bio-psycho-social Development Chapters 5, 6, 7: The First Two Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
	Assignment 2 Due
Week Seven	
Tues, Feb 20	Test Two: Chapters 5-7 from text, webnotes and lecture
Thurs, Feb 22	Chapters 8,9,10: The Play Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
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Week Eight	
Tues, Feb 27	Chapters 8,9,10: The Play Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
	Assignment 3 Assigned
Thurs, Mar 1	Chapters 8,9,10: The Play Years: Bio-psycho-social Development
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Tues, Mar 6 Thurs, Mar 8	Chapters 8,9,10: The Play Years: Bio-psycho-social Development Chapter 11: The School Years: Biosocial Development Assignment 3 Due	
Week Ten		
Tues, Mar 13	Test Three: Chapters 8-11 from text, webnotes and lecture	
Thurs, Mar 15	Chapter 12/13: The School Years: Psycho-Social Development	
Week Eleven		
Tues, Mar 20	Chapter 12/13: The School Years: Psycho-Social Development	
Thurs, Mar 22	Chapter 12/13: The School Years: Psycho-Social Development	
Week Twelve		
Tues, Mar 27	Chapters 14, 15, 16: Adolescence: Bio-psycho-social Development	
Thurs, Mar 29	Chapters 14, 15, 16: Adolescence: Bio-psycho-social Development Research Paper Due	
Week Thirteen		
Tues, Apr 3	Chapters 14, 15, 16: Adolescence: Bio-psycho-social Development	
Thurs, Apr 5	Chapters 14, 15, 16: Adolescence: Bio-psycho-social Development	
Week Fourteen		
Tues, Apr 10	Catch up and Review	
Thurs, Apr 12	Test Four: Chapters 12-16 from text, webnotes and lecture	

Week Nine

Welcome to Psychology 150...I'm looking forward to a great term with you!