



COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/psyc.html>

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only.
It is **strongly recommended** you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records.
You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Bill Wong, PhD		
(b)	Office Hours:	Monday (10:30-11:20) and Tuesday – Thursday (11:30-12:20). If these do not work for you, we can schedule an alternate & mutually agreeable time. Contact me to set this up.		
(c)	Office location:	Fisher 106E (down hallway next to bookstore)		
(d)	Phone:	250-370-3374	Alternative Phone:	
(e)	Email:	wongw@camosun.ca – always use this e-mail ☺ & NOT the D2L one		
(f)	Website:	http://online.camosun.ca		

2. Intended Learning Outcomes

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

1. Describe major contemporary issues in psychology and explain their historical antecedents.
2. Apply psychological theories and understanding of current psychological issues to personal experience.
3. Conduct impartial studies of psychological topics and arrive at logical inferences and conclusions from collected data.

3. Required Materials

(a)	Texts	Gerrig, R. J., Zimbardo, P. G., Desmarais, S., & Ivanko, T. (2011). <i>Psychology and life</i> (2 nd Cdn ed.). Toronto, ON: Pearson.
(b)	Other	This course is supported by D2L. See notes about accessing D2L. As well students should expect that some materials will be circulated during specific classes, throughout the course.

D2L

To access the course website on D2L;

- 1) Open browser (i.e., Internet Explorer)
- 2) Type in: <http://online.camosun.ca/>
- 3) Next, enter your user name followed by your last name and the day of your birth. For example mick.jagger22 for born on June 22nd.
- 4) Then enter your password which will be your date of birth in *mmddyy* format. For example, 062274 for June 22nd, 1974.
- 5) Once into D2L you will be required to change your password.

4. Course Content and Schedule

- The class meets twice each week.

Attendance is important because it keeps you in contact with the course materials and any changes that may occur throughout the semester. It is your responsibility to contact other students in order to catch up on any missed material. A missed exam or assignment will result in a mark of zero. Unfortunately, make-up exams will not be offered without documentation. If there is a serious medical or compassionate reason that you would like considered, contact the instructor **before** the test or due date. Time management issues and competing priorities are NOT sufficient reasons. Documentation to support your claim is **always** required (e.g., physician's note explaining why you could not attend the exam). If an alternate exam is granted, the date and time will be set by the instructor.

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Task	Important notes	Value
Assignment 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructions will be provided beforehand Due January 17, 2013 at the start of class time Late assignments will be subject to a 50% (net) reduction. Work submitted more than one-week after the deadline (i.e., starting January 25) will not be accepted. Please see me ASAP if you anticipate a late submission or have any questions regarding this assignment. 	3%
Exam 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 5, 2013 Based on class material, chaps 1, 2, 11 & 13 M/C questions, definitions & short answers 	30%
Assignment 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructions will be provided beforehand Due February 14, 2013 at the start of class time Late assignments will be subject to a 50% (net) reduction. Work submitted more than one-week after the deadline (i.e., starting February 22) will not be accepted. Please see me ASAP if you anticipate a late submission or have any questions regarding this assignment. 	3%
Exam 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 12, 2013 Based on class material, chaps 12, 14, & 17 M/C questions, definitions & short answers 	30%
Assignment 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructions will be provided beforehand Due April 2, 2013 at the start of class time Late assignments will be subject to a 10% (net) reduction per day late. Work submitted more than two days after the deadline (i.e., starting April 5) will not be accepted. Please see me ASAP if you anticipate a late submission or have any questions regarding this assignment. I would like to avoid e-mail submissions due to formatting concerns. 	14%
Exam 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 11, 2013 Based on class material, chaps 15 & 16 M/C questions, definitions & short answers 	20%
TOTAL		100%

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is	1

		granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at camosun.ca for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete:</i> A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress:</i> A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. <i>(For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)</i>
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

I expect students to follow **certain standards of conduct:**

1. All students are expected to follow the College's Student Conduct Policy
2. There will be no make-up opportunities without a doctor's note (or equivalent). It is up to you to follow up and make arrangements to catch up on missed assignments/exams.
3. Exams must be written as scheduled. Make-up tests will only be allowed with proper documentation. You must contact the instructor prior to the test, and provide documentation within 2 days of the missed test date to be eligible for the make-up test. The instructor will determine the alternate date and time.
4. Assignments that are copied (identical or plagiarized) between students will be given 0% for ALL students with identical work.
5. Work must be used for this course only.
6. It is college policy that *"If an instructor remains convinced that there has been a violation [such as plagiarism or cheating], he or she may assign a grade of F for the work involved, or for the course..."*

Class Schedule

Week	Date	Reading	Topic	Important dates
1	Jan 8		Course overview – discuss expectations, syllabus, ask & answer questions	
	Jan 10	Chap 1	-Psychology and Life -Discuss and distribute Assignment #1 -Explain the three developmental issues	
2	Jan 15	Chap 2 (pp. 22-38)	-Research methods and ethics	
	Jan 17	Chap 11	Human development & Life span	Assignment #1 due (3%)
3	Jan 22		Development (continued)	
	Jan 24		Development (continued)	
4	Jan 29	Chap 13	Emotion, Stress, and Health	
	Jan 31		Promoting health	
5	Feb 5		-Prepare by studying the textbook & lecture materials. Based on chapters 1, 2 (pp. 22-38), 11, & 13. -An exam study guide will be provided.	Exam 1 (30%)
	Feb 7	Chap 14	-Understanding Human Personality -Distribute Assignment #2	
6	Feb 12		Personality (continued)	
	Feb 14		Personality (continued)	Assignment #2 due (3%)
7	Feb 19	Chap 12	Motivation	
	<i>Feb 21</i>		<i>Reading break – no classes held</i>	
8	Feb 26		Motivation (continued)	
	Feb 28	Chap 17	Social Psychology	
9	Mar 5		Social Psychology (continued)	
	Mar 7		-Distribute Assignment #3 -Social Psychology (continued)	
10	Mar 12		-Prepare by studying the textbook & lecture materials. Based on chapters 12, 14, & 17 -An exam study guide will be provided.	Exam 2 (30%)
	Mar 14	Chap 15	Psychological disorders	
11	Mar 19		Disorders (continued)	
	Mar 21		Disorders (continued)	
12	Mar 26		Disorders (continued)	
	Mar 28	Chap 16	Therapies	
13	Apr 2		Therapies (continued)	Assignment #3 due (14%)
	Apr 4		Therapies (continued)	
14	Apr 9		Summary	
	Apr 11		-Prepare by studying the textbook & lecture materials. Based on chapters 15 & 16 -No study guide provided; all up to you!	Exam 3 (20%)
There is no 'other' final exam as the above exams/assignments total 100% ☺				