

School of Arts and Science PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Psyc 130 – Edward Milne Contemporary Issues 2015 Fall

COURSE OUTLINE

Instructor Information

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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.

Required Materials

Text	Gerrig, R.J., Zimbardo, P.G., Desmarais, S., & Ivanco, T. (2011). Psychology and
	Life (2 nd Canadian Edition). Toronto: Pearson Canada.

Course Content and Schedule

Start Date: Monday, September 14, 2015 - Thursday, December 10, 2015.

Time: Monday (9:51 – 10:56 a.m.), Wednesday (2:07 – 3:13), & Thursday (12:56 – 2:02)

To access the course website on D2L

- 1. Open browser (i.e., Internet Explorer) and type in : http://online.camosun.ca/
- 2. Next, enter your first name followed by a period then your last name and the day of your birth. For example mick.jagger22 for born on June 22nd.
- 3. Then enter your password which will be your date of birth in *mmddyy* format. For example, 062284 for June 22nd, 1984.
- **4.** Once into D2L you will be required to change your password.

Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Test #1	30%
Test #2	30%
Test #3	20%
Short Assignments (2 in total)	10%
Group Presentation	<u>10%</u>
	100%

Tests (80% course grade):

There will be three tests in this course. The first test is worth 30% of the course grade and will cover the Chapters 1, 2 (pg. 22-32), 11 & 12. The second test is also worth 30% and will cover Chapters 13, 14 & 17. The last test is worth 20% and will cover Chapters 15 and 16. All tests are based on information from the lectures and textbook. These tests will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions.

MAKE-UP TESTS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED WITH PROPER DOCUMENTATION. YOU MUST CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR, AND PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION, WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE MISSED TEST DATE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE MAKE-UP TEST.

Short Assignments (10% of course grade):

There will be 2 short papers assigned throughout the semester. Each of these assignments is worth 5% of the final grade. These assignments will require students to conduct various kinds of research including interviews, content analysis, and self assessment, and then summarize the results in a short report.

Group Presentation (10% of course grade):

In teams of 3 to 4 students, groups will make a PowerPoint presentation on a current issue in Psychology. Presentation details will be discussed in class and guidelines will be provided. Groups will be formed mid semester and time in class will be devoted to group work.

LATE WORK WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IN EXTREME CASES. PLEASE SCHEDULE YOUR TIME TO MEET ALL DUE DATES.

Grading System

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
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	Incomplete: 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	In progress: 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. (For			
	these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course			
	attempt or at the point of course completion).			
CW	Compulsory Withdrawal: 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.			

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy which includes plagiarism. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the contents of this policy. The policy is available on the College web site in the Policy Section.

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September 14	Introduction to Course				
September 16	Chapter 1: Psychology and Life				
September 23	Chapter 2: Research Methods (page 22 to 32)				
September 24	Chapter 11: Human Development				
	Assignment #1 Handed Out				
September 28	Chapter 11: Human Development				
September 30	Chapter 11: Human Development				
October 1	Chapter 11: Human Development				
October 5	Chapter 12: Motivation				
October 7	Chapter 12: Motivation				
October 8	Chapter 12: Motivation				
	Assignment #1 Due				
October 12	No Class: Thanksgiving				
October 14	Chapter 12: Motivation				
October 15	Test #1: Chapter 1, 2 (pg. 22 to 32), 11 & 12				
October 19	Chapter 13: Emotion, Stress, and Health				
October 21	Chapter 13: Emotion, Stress, and Health				
October 22	Chapter 13: Emotion, Stress, and Health				
	Assignment #2 Handed Out				
October 26	Chapter 14: Personality				
October 28	Chapter 14: Personality				
October 29	Chapter 14: Personality				
November 2	Chapter 17: Social Psychology				
November 4	Chapter 17: Social Psychology				
November 5	Chapter 17: Social Psychology				
	Assignment #2 Due				
November 9	Chapter 17: Social Psychology				
November 11	No Class: Remembrance Day				
November 12	Test #2: Chapters 13, 14 & 17				
November 16	Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders				
November 18	No Class: Early Dismissal				
November 19	Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders				
November 23	Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders				
November 25	Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders				
November 26	Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders				
November 30	Chapter 16: Therapies for Psychological Disorders				
December 2	Chapter 16: Therapies for Psychological Disorders				
December 3	Group Presentations				
December 7	Group Presentations				
December 9	Group Presentations				
December 10	Test #3: Chapter 15 & 16				

**Note:	This sche	dule is tent	ative and a	ny changes	will be discı	ussed in cla	iss.