

	<p style="text-align: center;">School of Arts and Science PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Psyc 130 – Claremont Contemporary Issues 2017 SPRING</p>
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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	Myers, David, G. & DeWall, C. N. (2015). <i>Psychology</i> (11 th Edition). Worth Publishers: New York. You may purchase the loose-leaf version or the e-text (whichever you prefer)
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Course Content and Schedule

The course will begin Tuesday, February 7th and end Thursday, June 8th

Classes will be held Tuesday (10:28-11:50) & Thursday (10:28 –11:50)

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	25%
Test #2	25%
Test #3	25%
Short Assignments (2 in total)	10%
Group Presentation	<u>15%</u>
	100%

Tests (75% course grade):

There will be three tests in this course. The first test is worth 25% of the course grade and will cover the Prologue, Chapters 1 (first ½), 5, & 10. The second test is worth 25% and will cover Chapters 11, 12, & 13. The last test is also worth 25% and will cover Chapters 14, 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 (15% 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	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 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	<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. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion).
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.

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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February 7 th February 9 th	Snow Day Snow Day
February 14 th February 16 th	Introduction to Course Class with Ms. Heppel
February 21 st February 23 rd	Prologue: The Story of Psychology Chapter 1: Thinking Critically With Psychological Science (<i>pg. 19-41</i>) Assignment #1 Handed Out
February 28 th March 2 nd	Class with Ms. Heppel Chapter 5: Developing Through the Life Span
March 7 th	Chapter 5: Developing Through the Life Span Assignment #1 Due
March 9 th	Chapter 10: Intelligence Chapter 10: Intelligence
March 14 th March 16	Chapter 10: Intelligence Chapter 10: Intelligence Test #1: Prologue, Chapter 1 (1/2 of chapter), 5, & 10
March 21 st to 31 st	SPRING BREAK
April 4 th April 6 th	Chapter 11: What Drives Us Chapter 11: What Drives Us Assignment #2 Handed Out
April 11 th April 13 th	Chapter 12: Emotions, Stress, and Health Chapter 12: Emotions, Stress, and Health
April 18 th	Chapter 12: Emotions, Stress, and Health Assignment #2 Due
April 20 th	Chapter 13: Social Psychology
April 25 th April 27 th	Chapter 13: Social Psychology Chapter 13: Social Psychology
May 2 nd May 4 th	Test #2: Chapter 11, 12, & 13 Chapter 14: Personality
May 9 th May 11 th	Chapter 14: Personality Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders
May 16 th May 18 th	Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders Chapter 15: Psychological Disorders
May 23 rd May 25 th	Chapter 16: Therapy Chapter 16: Therapy
May 30 th June 1 st	Group Presentations Group Presentations
June 6 th June 8 th	Group Presentations Test #3: Chapter 14, 15 & 16

****Note:** This schedule is tentative and any changes will be discussed in class.