

Grande Prairie Regional College
Psychology 1050 (Section W3): Friday 6:00 - 9:00
Social and Individual Behaviour
Winter Term January-April 2007

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Course Credit Hours: 3 (UT: Alberta)
Student Contact: 3 hours per week
Prerequisites: PY1040
Uni. Transfer: UA, UC, UL, AU, CU, CUC, KUC
Mode of Delivery: Lectures

IMPORTANT: Please remember this is a university course and you are a university student.

Textbooks:

- Gazzaniga, M. S., Heatherton, T. F. (2006). Psychological Science (2nd Edition). W. W. Norton & Company, New York.
- The accompanying Study Guide is highly recommended
- Publication Manual of the APA will be on reserve in College Library

Course Description:

This is the second part of an introductory course in psychology. It presents an overview of the basic psychological processes with emphasis placed on the psychological experiences of the individual and their relationships with the group experiences. Specifically, this is an introduction to the study of human individuality, personality and social processes. Some aspects of normal and abnormal human behaviour, psychological assessment and treatment will be explored. The theoretical as well as the practical aspects of these processes will be addressed. By understanding the various psychological mechanisms that govern the various psychological processes you will have an appreciation for and an understanding of the field of Psychology and its various disciplines. This course, in conjunction with Psychology 1040, provides the foundation for more specific and advanced level courses in Psychology.

Additional Information:

1. The format of each exam will be discussed in class.
2. Exam grades are final and there is no substitute work for your poor exam grade.
3. The nature and topics of your written paper will be discussed in class
4. It is your responsibility to read each and every chapter and assigned reading (if any) and attend all lectures.
5. Lectures will not always cover material in your chapters. Lectures may cover topics and include materials that are not covered by your textbook. It is therefore imperative that you attend every class as your exams may include materials from the lectures that are not covered by your textbook.
6. Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. You should consult the section on cheating and plagiarism of current GPRC calendar.

7. It is expected that students will display a professional attitude and behaviour. These attitudes and behaviours are many and will be discussed in class. Any violation or misconduct may result in dismissal from the class.

8. Talk to me if you have concerns or you are experiencing difficulties that may have negative impact on your academic performance.

Evaluations

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| Exam 1 | Chapters 9 & 10 | 18% |
| Exam 2 | Chapters 11 & 12 | 18% |
| Exam 3 | Chapters 13 & 14 | 18% |
| Final Exam | Chapters 15 & all | 26% |
| Two article reviews | | 15% |
| Reflective paper | | 05% |

* The nature of written reviews and paper will be discussed in class.

* The final exam is **Comprehensive** but greater emphasis will be placed on chapters 15

* Remember, all exams may include questions from lectures that may not be covered by your textbook.

Grading System:

Please note that Universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**. This means **DO NOT GET LESS THAN “C-” IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO TRANSFER TO UNIVERSITY.**

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| A+ | 4.0 | 95-100 |
| A | 4.0 | 90-94 |
| A- | 3.7 | 85-89 |
| B+ | 3.3 | 80-84 |
| B | 3.0 | 75-79 |
| B- | 2.7 | 70-74 |
| C+ | 2.3 | 65-69 |
| C | 2.0 | 60-64 |
| C- | 1.7 | 55-59 |
| D+ | 1.3 | 53-54 |
| D | 1.0 | 50-52 |
| F | 0.0 | 00-49 |

TIMETABLE: PY1050-W3, Winter 2007

*Please note that the dates and the sequence of chapters are tentative and may change.

| Week | Dates | Topics | Evaluation |
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| Week 1 | January 5 | Chapter 9: Motivation | |
| Week 2 | January 12 | Chapter 9: Motivation Chapter 10: Emotions & Health | |
| Week 3 | January 19 | Chapter 10: Emotions & Health | |
| Week 4 | January 26 | Exam 1 Chapter 11: Human Development | E1 18%: Ch 9, 10 |
| Week 5 | February 2 | Chapter 11: Human Development | |
| Week 6 | February 9 | Chapter 12: Personality | |
| Reading Break | February 16-23 | Holiday & Reading Break | |
| Week 7 | March 2 | Chapter 12: Personality | |
| Week 8 | March 9 | Exam 2 Chapter 13: Disorders of Mind and Body | E2 18%: Ch 11 & 12 |
| Week 9 | March 16 | Chapter 13: Disorders of Mind and Body Chapter 14: Treating Disorders | |
| Week 10 | March 23 | Chapter 14: Treating Disorders | |
| Week 11 | March 30 | Exam 3 Chapter 15: Social Psychology | E3 18%: Ch 13 & 14 |
| Week 12 | April 6 | Chapter 15: Social Psychology | |
| Week 13 | April 13 | Finishing and Review | |
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| Final Exams Week | April 14-22 | No Classes. Final Exam Period Good Friday | E4 26%: Ch 15 & all comprehensive Final Exams are Scheduled by the Registrar Office |