



DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND EDUCATION

COURSE OUTLINE- WINTER 2013

PY1050 (E3): SOCIAL AND INDIVIDUAL BEHAVIOUR - 3 Credits (3-0-0) 45 Hours

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HOURS: Tuesdays 1:00 to 2:15 or by appointment

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: PY1040

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

- Gerrig, R.J., Zimbardo, P.G., Desmarais, S., & Ivanco, T. (2012). Psychology and Life (2nd Canadian Edition)
- The accompanying Study Guide is highly recommended
- Publication Manual of the APA will be on reserve in College Library

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This second introductory course in psychology follows PY1040 and gives students an understanding of themselves and other people through the study of basic concepts, principles, theories and methods used in the scientific study of behaviour. The course covers biological and cognitive development, emotion and motivation, social psychology, personality theories, mental and behavioural disorders, treatment of mental and behavioural disorders, and stress and health.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS:

PY1050 consists of three hours of instructional time each week.

DELIVERY MODE(S):

This course includes lectures, class discussions, in-class group and individual work.

OBJECTIVES:

Students will gain the abilities to define, explain, demonstrate, evaluate and articulate:

- The definitions, descriptions, and methods of measurement of intelligence, personality, knowledge, and creativity.
- The theories of emotion and the relative contributions of nature and nurture
- The theories of motivation
- The theories and fields of Social Psychology: person perception, social perception, attribution theory, conformity, obedience, attitude formation and change, leadership, love and friendship.
- The established historical and current theories of Personality: Psychodynamics, Humanism/Existentialism/Phenomenology, Behaviourism, Cognitivism, and Trait theory.
- The theories of Human Development including biological, physical, intellectual, social, and moral development across the lifespan.
- The definitions, descriptions, and causes of abnormal psychology and disorders.
- The current and established treatments of abnormal and disorder psychology: Psychoanalysis, Behavioural Modification, Humanistic, Cognitive, and Drug Therapy
- The current understanding of health and stress in abnormal psychology and the application to the students' own lives and self-healing.

EVALUATION:

1. Chapter Tests = 70%. There will be 4 chapter tests consisting of multiple choice questions and short answer questions. Each chapter test will cover two chapters, and will be worth 15%, with the exception of the 4th chapter test which will be worth 25% and will primarily cover the last two chapters, but will also include key concepts from all previous chapters. This will be discussed and clarified in class.
2. 2 Short reflection papers = 25% Reflection papers will be 700 - 800 words in length. Topics and format will be discussed in class.
3. Attendance and participation = 5%
 - Input during lectures is welcomed - ask relevant questions, make insightful comments, contribute to discussion during group work.

Note:

- All test marks are final.
- Papers are due on the assigned date. If you foresee any difficulties, please discuss it with me ahead of time.
- If you have a disability of any kind, or need any specific support to ensure your success, please discuss it with me immediately.

GPRC GRADING CRITERIA

Alpha Grade	4 pt. Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Designation
A+	4.0	97 - 100	Excellent
A	4.0	94 - 96	
A-	3.7	90 - 93	First Class Standing
B+	3.3	85 - 89	
B	3.0	80 - 84	Good
B-	2.7	75 - 79	
C+	2.3	70 - 74	Satisfactory
C	2.0	65 - 69	
C-	1.7	60 - 64	
D+	1.3	55 - 59	Poor
D	1.0	50 - 54	Minimal Pass at GPRC
F	0.0	0 - 49	Fail - no credit received
WF	0.0		Fail - withdrawal after deadline

Students receiving grades of D or D+ will receive GPRC credit, however **these grades may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions.**

TRANSFERABILITY:

This course transfers to University of Alberta (PSYCO 105 (3)), University of Calgary (PSYC 205 (3)), University of Lethbridge (PSYC 2XXX (3)), Athabasca University (PSYC 290 (3)), Kings University College (PSYC 251 (3)) MacEwan (PSYC 105(3)) and Concordia University (PSY 105 (3)). Students should check with their receiving institution concerning transferability as all arrangements are subject to change.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

The assigned readings and exercises for each class should be completed before attending that class, except for the first class. **Attendance at all sessions is required and is critical to a student's success in the course.** In case of illness or emergency, notify me as soon as possible. If you find yourself having difficulty in this course, please contact me immediately for assistance. If you simply want more discussion about any aspect of the course, please visit my office during office hours or at a more convenient pre-arranged time.

If a student is unable to attend an in-class test or quiz, the instructor must be advised before the test/quiz is administered. Voice mail or e-mail notification is fine. The test/quiz will usually then be written at a later time at the testing centre or pre-arranged location. Failure to notify the instructor of an absence will result in a grade of 0 on that test/quiz.

It is expected that all students will display professional and respectful attitude and behaviours in the classroom. This includes - arrive on time; be prepared; and listening to and engaging with fellow students and the instructor in a co-operative and attentive manner. All electronic devices (phones, ipods, etc.) will be turned off and stored in backpack, or purse.

Please be sure to familiarize yourself with moodle as all communications with students outside of class and office hours will be done via your gprc e-mail account. Check your e-mail regularly.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. Please refer to pages 48 - 49 of the College calendar regarding plagiarism, cheating and the resultant penalties. These are serious issues and will be dealt with severely.

Please consult your GPRC calendar pages 41 - 50 for information regarding Academic Regulations and Student Conduct.

<http://www.gprc.ab.ca/downloads/documents/StudentRightsandResponsibilities.pdf>

Tentative Lecture Schedule

Date	Topic	Required Readings
Section 1	Intelligence, theories, assessment, and issues	Chapter 10
	Human Development Across the Life span	Chapter 11
Feb 5	Test - chapters 10 and 11	
Section 2	Motivation	Chapter 12
	Emotions, stress and health	Chapter 13
	small groups and reflections	
Feb 28	Test - chapters 12 and 13	
Section 3	Understanding Human Personality	Chapter 14
	Psychological Disorders	Chapter 15
Mar 26	Test - chapters 14 and 15	
Section 4	Therapies for Psychological Disorders	Chapter 16
	Social Psychology	Chapter 17
Apr 16	Test - chapters 16 and 17	

This is a tentative schedule. Please check your e-mail regularly to note any changes.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Chapter tests: February 5 - Ch. 10 and 11
 February 28 - Ch 12 and 13
 March 26 - Ch. 14 and 15
 April 16 - Ch 16 and 17, and key concepts

Reflection Papers February 14
 March 19

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

1. The format of each exam will be discussed in class, and all grades are final.
2. The nature and topics of your written papers will be discussed in class.
3. It is your responsibility to read each chapter and assigned reading (if any) and attend all lectures.
4. Lectures will not always cover all the material in your chapters. Lectures may cover topics and include materials that are not covered by your textbook.
5. Talk to me if you have concerns or you are experiencing difficulties that may have a negative impact on your academic performance, or success in this class.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Friendship Centre: The Friendship Centre at Grande Prairie Regional College provides a space for all students to meet, do homework, retrieve or leave messages, obtain community resources material, or just relax. The on-campus Friendship Centre is available for sharing circles, gatherings, study groups, and tutoring sessions. Everyone is welcome.

Campus Security: You should be aware that GPRC is no safer than the rest of Grande Prairie. Attacks on campus, as well as theft and vandalism have been occurring with increasing frequency. For your safety, Campus Security will provide a 24-hour Safe Walk service anywhere on campus. Call 780-539-2700 or use the blue phones on campus.

Learning Support Centre: The Learning Support Centre is available to all students who wish to improve their academic skills and ability to learn. Students can receive help with their writing (essay structure, grammar, formatting), as well as with math and science problems. Workshops on exam anxiety, study skills, note taking, and other important skills are also offered here. The Learning Centre is in the Library.