Introduction to Social Psychology

Psy 240; Spring 2006
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Overview: Syllabus

Psychology 240: Introduction to Social Psychology
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Office hours: Thursdays: 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon, or by appointment.


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Textbook: *Myers 8th Edition*

*Note:* The Study Guide (prepared by Martin Bolt) is optional but you might want to purchase and, more importantly, use it.


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Course Objectives: The purpose of this course is to introduce you to the field of social psychology. These are three major sub-goals: (1) To explain how social psychologists think about and study human behavior. (2) To introduce you to the body of knowledge and underlying principles that currently exist in the field. (3) To encourage reflection about the implications of social psychological research for the situations we encounter in everyday life.

Class Format: The class involves two lectures and a discussion each week. The 90-minute lectures will cover the topics listed on the syllabus. The texts cover these same topics, but lectures and test overlap only about 50%. Consequently, you will both need to attend lectures and read the text to learn all of the examinable material.

Recitations: You will also be assigned to a section that will meet once each week. In recitation, you will be assigned to a recitation section that will meet once each week. In recitation, you will take part in a variety of activities meant to build on and extend lecture material. Such activities will include discussions of readings, demonstrations of classic social psychological phenomena, and a major project. Recitation is designed to give you greater insights into the research process and to provide opportunities to discuss course material in smaller groups.

The TAs leading recitation are advanced social psychology graduate students.

Grading: Course grades will be based on three non-cumulative mid-term exams (each worth 25%), and recitation participation, assignments, and projects (25%). Make-up will only be granted with a valid medical excuse, and will be taken at a time convenient for your TA. The grades will follow the following breakdown. The percentages are based on the top score achieved in the class.

100 – 90% = A
99 – 80% = B
79 – 70% = C
69 – 60% = D
< 60% = F

No Extra Credit: There are no extra credit opportunities. Please do not ask.

Plagiarism: Students need to know it and follow it. For your own sake, do you own work. Plagiarism is a serious offense, and is easily detectable with the advent of search engines. Here is a useful website to understand the definition and more. Avoiding plagiarism: http://wwwenglish.purdue.edu/handouts/research/a_plagiar.html

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Other Resources

- [http://www.socialpsychology.org](http://www.socialpsychology.org)
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