

Psychology 4910 - COURSE OUTLINE

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Office Hours: Friday 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. or by appointment

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Time Slot 18: Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

Room: SN2064

Text: A History of Psychology: Main Currents in Psychological Thought. 7th edition. Thomas Hardy Leahey. Second-hand copies may be available.

Evaluation: Class Presentation: Team Mark - 10%; Individual Mark - 15%
Essay: 15%
Midterm test: 20%
Final Examination: 40%

Class Presentation. Each team of 3 or 4 people will present a chapter of the textbook in one lecture period. The team mark will reflect how the team functioned as a whole, and the individual marks will be for each student's part of the presentation.

Essay. You will select a nonfiction book or other major work to read and comment on. Your essay will discuss the impact of the book upon the development of some area of psychology, and why you think this work was so influential or should have been but wasn't.

Examinations. The midterm and final examinations will consist of one essay question each designed to get you to integrate material from different parts of the course.

Important Dates

Monday, Jan. 20: Last day to add courses.
Deadline for selection of book to be reviewed and submission of one or two-page statement of why you think this is a good book to review. I will give more information in class.

Monday, Feb. 17- Midterm break. No lecture Tuesday, Feb. 18
Wednesday, Feb. 19:

Tuesday, Feb. 20: Midterm Test

Monday, Feb. 24: Last day to drop courses without academic prejudice.

Thursday, Feb. 27: ESSAY DUE.

Tuesday, March 25: REVISED ESSAY DUE (Optional)

NOTE: LATE ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNLESS YOU
HAVE A VERY GOOD REASON, SUITABLY DOCUMENTED.

Friday, Apr. 4: Classes End

Wednesday, Apr. 10 - Friday, Apr. 19: Examination Period

Friday, April 18: Good Friday

Plagiarism:

All written work must be in your own words. All quotations must be indicated in the text and the complete reference, including the page number, must be supplied. Minimize the use of direct quotations. Use direct quotations in psychological reports only when the exact wording of the statement is necessary to make a point.

Copying, plagiarism, or cheating of any sort is not acceptable and will earn a zero for the assignment or test concerned. Students are advised to read Section 11: Academic Misconduct in the General Regulations section of the University calendar.

Deadlines:

Late assignments will not be accepted without a very good reason, duly authenticated. Having a heavy burden of tests or assignments is not considered good reason; nor is having a vacation. A big part of the university experience is learning how to organize and plan your time, and to meet deadlines.

Computer failure is also not an acceptable excuse. Always print a draft of your assignment; then if you have a computer disaster, you can submit the draft as proof you have done your work. Then submit a clean copy of the assignment within 24 hrs.

Classroom Behaviour:

I expect students to arrive at class on time (and I will try to do the same) and not to leave during the lecture. You will need your full attention on the lecture if you are to learn anything. That means no chatting, text messaging, reading newspapers, doing crossword puzzles, etc. Attendance at the lectures is not required; if you want to socialize, please do it outside the classroom. I expect all students to show respect by not talking when another student asks a question and when I answer it.

I do welcome questions and comments from students during the lecture and will answer them as best I can. You may also submit questions by e-mail. Where the answer is of interest to all students, I will edit the question to remove information that would identify the student and will circulate my reply to all students.

I usually end the lecture a few minutes early so that students who have individual questions can ask them at the end of class.

LECTURES MAY NOT BE AUDIO-OR VIDEO-RECORDED

If you have some type of disability that prevents you from taking notes, please discuss this with me. I will need a formal request from the Blundon Centre and I may impose certain conditions before allowing recording.

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Thursday, January 9 & Tuesday, January 14:	Chapter 1	C. Penney
Thursday, January 16 Tuesday, January 21	Chapter 2 & 3	C. Penney
Thursday, January 23:	Chapter 3	C. Penney
Tuesday, January 28	Chapter 4	Team 1
Thursday, January 30:	Chapter 5	Team 2
Tuesday, February 4:	Discussion	C. Penney
Thursday, February 6:	Chapter 6	Team 3
Tuesday, February 11:	Chapter 7	Team 4
Thursday, February 13:	Review	C. Penney
Tuesday, February 18:	Midterm Break.	No lectures.
Thursday, February 20:	Midterm Test	
Tuesday, February 25:	Chapter 8	Team 5
Thursday, February 27:	Chapter 9	Team 6
First draft of essay due. (Optional) Members of Teams 5 and 6 will have a one week extension to Thursday, March 6.		
Tuesday, March 4:	Chapter 10	Team 7
Thursday, March 6:	Chapter 11	Team 8
Tuesday, March 11:	Chapter 12	Team 8
Thursday, March 13:	Discussion	C. Penney
Tuesday, March 18 Thursday, March 20:	Chapter 13	C. Penney
Tuesday, March 25:	Final version of essay due	
Thursday, March 27:	Chapter 14	C. Penney
Tuesday, April 1:	Review	C. Penney
Thursday, April 3:	Spare lecture period.	