

SUMMER 2011

HH/SC/PSYC 1010 6.0C: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

Session: S2

Monday – Friday, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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REQUIRED TEXT:

Myers, D.G. (2010) *Psychology* Ninth Edition, Worth Publishers.

ISBN: 978-1-429-21597-8.

RECOMMENDED READING:

Straub, R.O. *Study Guide to Accompany David G. Myers Psychology* Ninth Edition. Worth Publishers. ISBN: 978-1-4292-2534-2.

EVALUATION:

1. There will be four tests, each covering the preceding section of the course. Each of these tests will contribute equally to the final grade. These tests will normally determine 96% of the course grade.
2. There will be an optional final examination, covering material for the entire course. If a student elects to write this examination, the grade from it may be substituted for the lowest of the grades from the class tests. Writing the final examination cannot result in lowering of the course grade.
3. Four percent of the final grade will be determined by participation in research as part of the Undergraduate Research Participant Pool (URPP). For information on this, see <http://www.psych.yorku.ca/urpp/>. Students are strongly urged to complete this part of the course requirement as soon they have the time (to “get it out of the way”). You can get started fulfilling the URPP requirement as soon as you’re enrolled in the course—before the course even starts.

COURSE OUTLINE:

Section I: Aims and methods of psychology, neuroscience and behaviour, nature and nurture, development.

Assigned Readings: Prologue, Chapters 1, 2, 4, 5.

Test #1: June 27, 2011.

Section II: Sensation and perception, learning, memory, thinking and language.

Assigned Readings: Chapters 6, 7, 8, 9.

Test #2: July 6, 2011

Section III: Sleep, consciousness, motivation, emotion, stress and health, drugs and behaviour.

Assigned Readings: Chapters 3, 11, 12.

Test #3: July 14, 2011

Section IV: Intelligence, personality, psychological disorders, therapy, social psychology.

Assigned Readings: Chapters 10, 13, 14, 15, 16.

Test #4: July 25, 2011

Optional Final Examination: July 27, 2011

Additional Notes:

Students writing the tests must present their York sessional identification card.

The multiple-choice answer sheets have to be marked in pencil, so students should make sure they have an adequate supply of pencils with erasers. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that courses are selected in accordance with current degree/certificate and program requirements.

Students are expected to write each test and, if applicable, the optional final exam on the dates specified. If you have a legitimate excuse (e.g., illness, death in the family, etc.) for being excused from an exam, you may take a make-up exam in lieu of the exam missed. You must contact me at least one day in advance of the exam and provide documentation in order to be permitted to take a make-up exam. In the case of an emergency, contact me as soon as possible. If you miss an exam with no legitimate excuse, you will receive a grade of zero. In order to write a deferred examination, you must make personal arrangements with me.