PSYC 2220 - Sensation and perception I Summer 2011

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Lectures: Monday and Wednesday, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, Curtis Lecture Hall E

Office hours: Monday, 4:00 - 5:00 pm, BSB 405

Textbook: Sensation and perception, second edition (Wolfe et al., 2009)

Website: www.yorku.ca/rfm/psyc2220

Evaluation: eleven guizzes (10%), two midterm tests (25% each),

final exam (40%)

Prerequisite: PSYC 1010 6.0, with a minimum grade of C

Midterm test and final exam. The midterm tests and the final exam will cover the lectures and the assigned readings. The first midterm will cover lectures 1-4, the second midterm will cover lectures 5-8, and the final exam will cover the entire course.

Daily quizzes. To encourage you to read the assigned sections of the textbook before the lectures, there will be a short quiz at the beginning of each class. The quizzes will cover the textbook readings assigned for the class. Your two lowest quiz scores will be dropped.

Meeting with the teaching assistant. You can meet with the teaching assistant during the weekly office hours. If you cannot meet during the regular office hours, contact the teaching assistant to make alternate arrangements.

Policy on missed tests and quizzes. There will be no makeup tests or quizzes. If you provide suitable documentation for missing a test or quiz, you will have the weight of the missed test added to the weight of the final exam, and the weight of the missed quiz distributed amongst the remaining quizzes. Tests and quizzes missed without adequate documentation will be assigned a mark of zero.

Plagiarism. Evaluation in this course is completely based on in-class tests and quizzes, so questions regarding what constitutes plagiarism should not be difficult. Consult the Department of Psychology's undergraduate calendar for departmental policy on plagiarism.

Drop date. The last date to drop this course without receiving a grade is May 27, 2011.

LECTURE SCHEDULE

		topic	readings
1	2-May	optics and the eye	chapter 2
2	4-May	spatial vision	chapter 3
3	9-May	motion	chapter 7
4	11-May	colour	chapter 5
5	16-May	depth perception	chapter 6
6	18-May	objects; term test 1	chapter 4
	23-May	Victoria Day; no lecture	
7	25-May	psychophysics	chapter 1, pp. 10-18
8	30-May	the ear	chapter 9
9	1-Jun	hearing	chapter 10
10	6-Jun	attention; term test 2	chapter 8
11	8-Jun	music and speech	chapter 11

LETTER GRADES

Final course marks will be converted to letter grades as follows.

90 - 100	A+
80 - 89.99	Α
75 – 79.99	B+
70 - 74.99	В
65 - 69.99	C+
60 - 64.99	С
55 - 59.99	D+
50 - 54.99	D
45 - 49.99	Е
0 - 44.99	F