

## **PSYCHOLOGY 1000: INTRODUCTORY PSYCHOLOGY** **Section 006**

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### **Course Description**

Introductory Psychology is a full-year course providing a basic overview of the different areas of psychology. Psychology is a very complex field involving the study of behaviour from a biological, cognitive, and social perspective. This course will involve lectures related to the scientific method, the brain and behaviour, sleep, perception, memory, emotion, social interactions, human development, personality, and conditions such as depression and schizophrenia.

### **Required Items**

Textbook: Krause, M., Corts, D., Smith, S., & Dolderman, D (2015). *An Introduction to Psychological Science (2<sup>nd</sup> Canadian edition)*. Toronto: Pearson.

### **Course Webpage and Email**

The lecture notes, syllabus, and grades can all be found on the course's Nexus webpage. If you are registered for this course, you should be able to access this webpage. It is possible to send messages to your professor using Nexus.

If you wish to use email to contact your professor, please use your assigned University of Winnipeg email address (e.g., [Name@webmail.uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:Name@webmail.uwinnipeg.ca)). If you use a different email address (e.g., hotmail), it is possible that your message will be quarantined by the university's aggressive spam filter and will not be received by the professor.

### **Grade Components**

Six (6) exams – these exams will all have equal weighting (i.e., final grades will consist of the average of the six exams). Exams are NOT cumulative. Tests will assess BOTH material from the textbook and material from lectures. Please bring your student ID card with you to the exam.

### **Subject Pool Requirement**

All students are expected to fulfill the subject-pool requirement by completing six credits worth of psychology experiments. Failure to complete all 6 credits will result in your final grade being dropped one letter grade (e.g., from an A- to a B+). Please see attached sheets at the end of this course outline for more subject-pool information.

### **Grades**

Please note carefully that the cutoffs provided below are tentative guidelines that the course instructor will follow, but unofficial grades based on these tentative guidelines below do not necessarily correspond to the official final grades awarded by the University administration. The Department of Psychology, the University of Winnipeg Senate, and the Registrar retain the right to modify grading cutoffs in cases involving unreasonably lenient (or difficult) exams, exceptionally skewed grade distributions, and other unusual circumstances. In most cases official final grades correspond quite closely to the unofficial grades based on the cutoffs provided below. Please be advised that this is not always, or necessarily, the case, however. The following should therefore be interpreted as unofficial cutoffs, not absolutely final official grading cutoffs for this course.

A+	94 – 100% (discretionary: usually only 1 - 4 people per course section)
A	87 – 93.5%
A-	80 – 86.5%
B+	75 – 79.5%
B	70 – 74.5%
C+	65 – 69.5%
C	60 – 64.5%
D	50 – 59.5%
F	0 – 49.5%

### Example Final Grade Calculations

Jessica received the following scores on her six exams: 80, 70, 65, 85, 75, and 80. She also completed all of her psychology experiment credits. Her final grade would be: 75.8%, or a grade of B+.

Bubba received the following scores on his six exams: 65, 73, 81, 59, 70, and 75; but, he did not complete the psychology experiment requirements. His final grade would be: 70.5%, a grade of B. However, because he did not complete the subject-pool requirements, this grade would be reduced to a C+.

### **Tentative Exam Dates and Readings**

A more detailed, tentative list of lecture topics will be provided separately. The six exams are **tentatively** scheduled for the dates listed below, although the professor reserves the right to change the exam dates if necessary. You will be responsible for materials covered in the lectures, as well as for material from the textbook listed below (each chapter of the textbook is divided up into a number of modules):

**EXAM 1:** Thurs., Oct. 5 – Chapters 1-3

**EXAM 2:** Tues., Nov. 7 – Chapter 4-5

**EXAM 3:** Thurs., Dec. 14 @ 9:00am – Chapters 6-8 (excluding Module 8.1)

**EXAM 4:** Thurs., Feb 1 – Chapters 9-11

**EXAM 5:** Thurs., Mar 8 – Chapters 12-13

**EXAM 6:** Thurs., Apr. 12 @ 9:00am – Chapters 14-16

*The location of Exams 3 and 6 will be announced in class and on Nexus during the semester.*

The professors reserve the right to omit some of the topics listed if necessary.

Calculators, dictionaries, and other hand-held devices cannot be used during exams without the consent of the professor.

### **Missed Exams and Alternative Exam Dates**

If you are ill or have a family emergency, a make-up exam can be scheduled by contacting the professor **BEFORE** the time of the exam (by telephone or e-mail). If you contact the instructor within 48 hours of missing an exam, it will be possible to write a make-up exam, with a 15% penalty (i.e., if you scored 80% on the make-up exam, it will be listed as 65% on the grade sheet). This penalty is to prevent students from taking an extra two days to study when their peers wrote the exam on time. If the instructor is not contacted within 48 hours of the missed exam, the student will receive a grade of 0 for that test.

Students may choose not to attend classes or write examinations on holy days of their religion, but they must notify their instructors at least two weeks in advance. Instructors will then provide an opportunity for students to make-up work and/or examinations without penalty. A list of religious holidays can be found at:  
<http://uwinnipeg.ca/academics/calendar/docs/important-notes.pdf>

*\*\*\*Make-up tests or extra assignments are not given on the basis of a “less than expected” grade.\*\*\**

### **Other Important Dates**

Sept. 5 – Lectures begin for this course  
 Oct. 9-13 – Fall Semester Reading Week (no classes)  
 Nov. 30 – Last lecture of the Fall semester *for this course*  
 Jan. 4 – Lectures begin for the Winter semester for this course  
**Feb. 14 – Final day to withdraw from courses without penalty**  
 Feb. 19-23 – Winter Semester Reading Week (no classes)  
 Apr. 3 – Last Psychology 1000 lecture

### **Academic Misconduct**

Students should be familiar with various items in the Regulations and Policies section of the Course Calendar dealing with academic regulations and policies including Senate appeals and academic misconduct (e.g., plagiarism, cheating). The information is available at: <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/cms-filesystem-action/pdfs/calendar/RegulationsandPolicies.pdf>

Students may be asked for photo identification when writing a test or exam.

Students are to read the appropriate items in Section VII of the General Calendar dealing with the Senate regulations on student discipline and grade appeals.

### **Services for Students with Disabilities**

Students with documented disabilities, temporary or chronic medical conditions, requiring academic accommodations for tests/exams (e.g., private space) or during lectures/laboratories (e.g., access to volunteer note-takers) are encouraged to contact Accessibility Services (AS) at 786-9771 or email [accessibilityservices@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:accessibilityservices@uwinnipeg.ca) to discuss appropriate options. Specific information about AS is available on-line at <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/accessibility>. All information about a student’s disability or medical condition remains confidential.

**Scent-Free Classrooms**

We ask that you please be respectful of the needs of classmates and instructors/professors by avoiding the use of unnecessary scented products while attending lectures. Exposure to scented products can trigger serious health reactions in persons with asthma, allergies, migraines or chemical sensitivities. Please consider using unscented products and avoiding unnecessary products that are scented (e.g. perfume).

**Respectful Workplace Information**

All students, faculty and staff have the right to participate, learn and work in an environment that is free of harassment and discrimination. The UW Respectful Working and Learning Environment Policy may be found online at [www.uwinnipeg.ca/respect](http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/respect).

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