

The University of Winnipeg
Social Psychology 1: Psych. 2400-004
Fall 2018

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Lecture Time: MWF 1:30pm – 2:20pm

Course Description: This course emphasizes social behaviour and cognitions of the individual in social context. Central topics covered from this perspective include social perception and impression formation; attitudes, beliefs, and values; prejudice and discrimination; and the formation and function of the social self. Other relevant topics include sex and gender roles and differences; judgment and decision-making; and social development. Theories and methodology relevant to this orientation and these topics will be examined.

Course Textbook:

Aronson, E., Wilson, T., Fehr, B., & Akert, *Social Psychology* (Sixth Canadian Edition).

Grade Evaluation:

	Weighting	Date
Test #1	35%	Oct 3
Test #2	30%	Nov 7
Test #3	30%	Dec 18
Group Discussions	5%	TBA

Format of Tests:

- Tests may consist of a combination of multiple choice and written answer questions.
- Test #1 will cover material from chapters 1, 2, and 3 as well as lecture/assigned material.
- Test #2 will cover material from chapters 4 and 5 as well as lecture/assigned material.
- Test #3 will cover material from chapters 6 and 12 as well as lecture/assigned material.

Group Discussions:

Over the term there will be at least six group discussions; however you will only be marked on five of them (one mark per group discussion will be allotted for a total of five percent of your total mark). In small groups you will be asked to discuss an aspect of the class material and share your thoughts on the material discussed. The five points allocated for group discussion will be based on participation in the discussion. You must be in class *and* participate in the discussion to receive full group discussion marks.

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Grade Criterion:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
A +	95-100	C+	68-74
A	90-94	C	60-67
A-	85-89	D	50-59
B+	80-84	F	0-49
B	75-79		

Note: Grade cutoffs are tentative and subject to change in either direction by the course instructor. All final grades are tentative until approved by the senate, department, or university.

Lecture Schedule & Assigned Readings:

Class	Topic	Readings
Sep 5	Introduction to Social Psychology	Chapter 1
Sep 7	Introduction to Social Psychology	Chapter 1
Sep 10	Methodology	Chapter 2
Sep 12	Methodology	Chapter 2
Sep 14	Methodology	Chapter 2
Sep 17	Methodology	Chapter 2
Sep 19	Social Cognition	Chapter 3
Sep 21	Social Cognition	Chapter 3
Sep 24	Social Cognition	Chapter 3
Sep 26	Social Cognition	Chapter 3
Sep 28	Social Cognition	Chapter 3
Oct 1	Social Cognition	Chapter 3
Oct 3	[TEST 1]	
Oct 5	Social Perception	Chapter 4
Oct 8 - 12	NO CLASSES READING WEEK	
Oct 15	Social Perception	Chapter 4
Oct 17	Social Perception	Chapter 4
Oct 19	Social Perception	Chapter 4
Oct 22	Social Perception	Chapter 4
Oct 24	Social Perception	Chapter 4
Oct 26	Self	Chapter 5
Oct 29	Self	Chapter 5
Oct 31	Self	Chapter 5
Nov 2	Self	Chapter 5
Nov 5	Self	Chapter 5
Nov 7	[TEST 2]	
Nov 9	Attitudes & Attitude Change	Chapter 6

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Class	Topic	Readings
Nov 12	Attitudes & Attitude Change	Chapter 6
Nov 14	Attitudes & Attitude Change	Chapter 6
Nov 16	Attitudes & Attitude Change	Chapter 6
Nov 19	Attitudes & Attitude Change	Chapter 6
Nov 21	Attitudes & Attitude Change	Chapter 6
Nov 23	NO CLASS	
Nov 26	Prejudice & Intergroup	Chapter 12
Nov 28	Prejudice & Intergroup	Chapter 12
Nov 30	Prejudice & Intergroup	Chapter 12
Dec 3	Prejudice & Intergroup	Chapter 12
Dec 18	[TEST 3]	

Note: The chapters covered in Social Psychology 1 are: Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 12. All topics may not be covered and the lecture schedule may change.

Academic Dates, Regulations and Policies (Fall 2018):

Lectures begin: September 4, 2018

Lectures end: December 3, 2018

Final date to withdrawal without academic penalty: November 12, 2018

University closed: October 8, 2018 (Thanksgiving), November 11, 2018 (Remembrance Day)

No classes: Fall reading week October 8 – 12 inclusive

Exam period: December 5 – 19 inclusive

Student Responsibilities

1. **Midterm and Final Exam:** Your photo I.D. is required at exams to verify your identity. All electronic devices (e.g., cell phones, lap top computers) must be turned off during tests.
2. **Missed Midterm/Exams:** A grade of 0 will be given for any test that a student fails to write. However, **exceptions** will be made in the case of “illness, physical disability, or domestic affliction.” Students will be permitted to write a make-up test provided that they:
 - a. Notify me before the scheduled time for the writing of the midterm/test, or within 24 hours afterwards (email me at dgaucher@uwinnipeg.ca).
 - b. Provide appropriate documentation (i.e. medical certificate from your physician, note from counselor). Medical documentation must include: the date you were examined, a clear statement indicating that due to the severity of the illness you were unable to write the exam on the scheduled date, and the signature of the doctor. There are no exceptions to this policy.

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3. 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 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>
4. Students **facing a charge of academic or non-academic misconduct may choose to contact the University of Winnipeg Students' Association (UWSA)** where a student advocate will be available to answer any questions about the process, help with building a case, and ensuring students have access to support. For more information or to schedule an appointment, visit our website at www.theuwsa.ca/academic-advocacy or call 204-786-9780.
5. **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.
6. **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., note-takers) are encouraged to contact Accessibility Services (AS) at 786-9771 or accessibilityservices@uwinnipeg.ca to discuss appropriate options.