What is this Course About?

Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour. Together we will explore concepts and theories from many of psychology’s key areas, tackling issues such as how we develop, manage mental wellness and illness, affect and are affected by others, experience emotions, and make more effective and thoughtful decisions. Throughout the term, we will explore methods modern psychologists use to learn about behaviour, as well as the theories they develop to organize their results. You will continually be asked to practice thinking like a psychologist by learning to recognize psychological themes and principles operating in your life, and by questioning information about behaviour that we encounter daily.

Join us in studying the most fascinating* subject matter ever: us!

Quick Facts: Where? When?

Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 12:00 to 12:50 in Buch A101. Attendance is expected and is necessary for success. Please show respect for your fellow learners and leaders, including arriving on time and leaving after official dismissal. Bring your i>clicker (spare AAA batteries), and writing tools. You may choose to bring a computer, but I discourage it because of its tendency to side-track attention – yours and others (Fried, 2008; Sana, Weston, & Cepeda, 2013).

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*Ok, so I’m biased. Humour me: This course really does sound fascinating, doesn’t it?!

Meet your Leaders in Learning

**INSTRUCTOR** Dr. Catherine Rawn
Office: Kenny 2523

**Welcome to my drop-in office hours:**
Tues 2-3, Wed 3:30-4:30, Fri 4-5. Some appointments can be made if necessary.

**Welcome to my Invitational Office Hour (IOH):**
Fridays 1-1:45pm, in the Stir It Up Café across from class. Our class is huge! One of the best ways I’ve found for us to get to know each other is through the IOH. Each week I’ll randomly select 10 students to join me for an informal chat. Come by and say hi!

Email: cdrawn@psych.ubc.ca Please put “Psyc 102” in the Subject line and use your UBC email account or your message could get lost. Before emailing, please check your class notes, syllabus, and classmates for an answer to your question. Although I try to respond as quickly as possible, expect approximately 72 hours for a reply (excluding evenings and weekends).

Web: [www.psych.ubc.ca/~cdrawn](http://www.psych.ubc.ca/~cdrawn), Twitter: @cdrawn

*Catherine in ≤ 25 words: Ontario-born; vegetarian; happily married; two-time marathon finisher; studied self-control; fascinated by teaching & learning; enjoys Big Bang Theory, chocolate, coffee, wine; dislikes horror movies, cheating.*

**TEACHING ASSISTANTS (TAs)**

TAs are here to help you learn and to help me to evaluate your learning. They will grade exams, hold office hours to help answer your questions and offer advice, and respond to (brief!) questions sent via email. If you cannot make their scheduled office hours, email them to see if you can work out an alternative appointment time. Please put “Psyc 102” in the Subject line and use your UBC email account or your message could get lost.

**Stefan Bourrier**
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Office: Kenny 3508; Office hr: Tuesdays 11-12

*Stefan in ≤ 25 words: Cognitive science research student who enjoys crosswords, making beer, and chats about consciousness. Hardline skeptic, LGBT Ally, vegan and Star Trek nerd.*

**Alex DiGiacomo**
Email: adigiacomo@psych.ubc.ca
Office: Kenny 3010; Office hr Thurs 2-3:

*Alex in ≤ 25 words: directionally challenged; former UofT track athlete; studies the gap between perception and reality; favourites: Jesus, family, friends, thinking, hiking, skiing, adventures, Suits (TV), reading, coffee, chocolate*
Learning Goals:
Where are We Going?

I designed this course with specific goals in mind. By the end of this course, you should be able to...

1. define modern psychology and identify the major perspectives within it;
2. recognize, recall, connect, and evaluate psychological concepts and theories from specific subfields (e.g., developmental and social psychology);
3. apply your knowledge of psychological principles and themes to gain insight into yourself, others, and events in your everyday life;
4. identify basic methods modern psychologists use to understand behavior;
5. critically evaluate new evidence about behavior that you encounter in your daily life;
6. understand the need for multiple exposures to material in order to develop mastery (e.g., participate in class, review notes, read text, write, self-test).
7. communicate your ideas about psychology both verbally and in writing;
8. give, receive, and use feedback on written work;
9. demonstrate respectful, professional conduct in email, online, and face-to-face communication with your peers, TAs, and Instructor; and
10. feel (even a little bit!) excited about learning in general and about psychology in particular.

Materials: What Do You Need?


   Using the 1st Canadian edition is not recommended because some major changes occurred this edition. PURCHASE OPTIONS: A hard copy of the text is available to buy from the UBC Bookstore or Discount Textbooks (and comes with a $10 i>clicker rebate coupon, access to MyPsychLab study guide, the e-text, and peerScholar). To save cash, you can buy access to the e-text and MyPsychLab (without a hard copy) from www.mypsychlab.com (see #5).

2. REQUIRED i>clicker  i>clicker questions and polls will be integrated into every class; please bring yours! They can be purchased at the bookstore, used or new. You must REGISTER YOUR i>clicker on our Connect course website in order to receive the points you earn in class.

3. REQUIRED CONNECT COURSE WEBSITE  Our course website is www.connect.ubc.ca. Log in using your CWL.

Register your i>clicker, download PowerPoint slides after each lesson, announcements, check your grades, and more! You are responsible for checking this site frequently.

4. REQUIRED PEERSCHOLAR WEBSITE  We will use this website for assignment submissions and peer feedback. An individual access code comes with the textbook bundle from the bookstore, or you can buy access directly from http://www.pearsoned.ca/highered/peerscholar. Our Course ID code is INIAXYFV1NB. Create an account using your first and last name as they appear on your official UBC registration. If you were in my section of Psyc 101 in Term 1, please use the same registration.

5. RECOMMENDED MYPYCHLAB TEXTBOOK COMPANION WEBSITE  Find study tools (e.g., electronic textbook, practice quizzes, flashcards, chapter reviews, relevant links, videos). A personal access code for www.mypsychlab.com comes with each new text. If you buy a used book and want access, or only want the electronic text, visit their website for purchase options. Our course ID code is rawn42302.

SHORT ON CASH?  If you’re choosing between buying food or textbooks and an i>clicker, *please* come to me. I have some materials available for loan. Note that you can also borrow a copy of the text from Koerner library. It’s on course reserve.

What We Expect from You

PARTICIPATION  This course is designed to be experiential, involving demonstrations, pair and small group discussions, large group discussions, class activities and writing, and i>clicker questions. Some class time will be devoted to a traditional lecture format, during which you can actively build your notes for future studying. Success in this class depends upon your active engagement.

ATTENDANCE  Please come to every class prepared to participate in your learning. Bring your i>clicker (and spare AAA batteries), a pen and some paper (in addition to a laptop, if you choose to bring one), and an open mind. If you miss class you are responsible for obtaining missed notes and important announcements from your peers and materials posted online. You will not be able to regain participation points for missed classes.

RESPECTFUL & ETHICAL CONDUCT  You are expected to treat all your classmates, the teaching team, and yourself with respect at all times, both in and out of the classroom, face-to-face and in writing (e.g., on email). This includes arriving to class on time and minimizing distractions for other students. You are responsible for your own learning. Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated, including dishonest use of the i>clicker, and copying other’s work. See page 8 for more information on Ethical Conduct.

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# How Will We Know If We Have Met Our Goals?

## Learning Appraisals: Overview

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<td>3 Midterm Tests (worth 15% each)</td>
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<td>Writing to Learn Mini-Papers with Peer Assessment (5 x 2%)</td>
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<td>• Skeptical Intelligence (due January 17)</td>
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<td>• Four short &quot;write &amp; rate&quot; concept-check assignments</td>
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<td>Cumulative Final Exam</td>
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<td>• Approximately 100 multiple choice, 20 fill-in-the-blanks, and two paragraphs</td>
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<td>Engagement in Learning</td>
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<td>These activities will help you learn about course concepts and the science of psychology. Subject Pool participation must be complete by Tuesday April 8.</td>
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<td>• Class participation (i&gt;clicker): 3%</td>
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<td>• Required Subject Pool Participation: 2 hours = 2%</td>
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<td>Base Points Available for you to Earn</td>
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<td>Bonus Subject Pool Participation (up to 3 more hours = up to 3%)</td>
<td>3%</td>
<td>Complete by Tuesday April 8</td>
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This course is divided into four sets of two chapters. For each pair of chapters, we’ll follow the same process, as depicted in the diagram below. This process is designed to help you distribute your readings and studying throughout the term (Wahlheim, Dunlosky, & Jacoby, 2011), using a combination of writing and peer review that have each been shown to help students learn (Dochy, Segers, & Sluijsmans, 1999; Nevid, Pastva, & McClelland, 2012; Siu, 1989). Taken together, this course design incorporates at least four methods that have been empirically demonstrated to promote learning (Dunn, Saville, Baker, & Marek, 2013; Dunlosky, Rawson, Marsh, Nathan, & Willingham, 2013).

- **Read** the assigned chapters *(Independent study)*, before or after you...

- **Attend** classes. Earn participation points while learning by using your i>clicker to respond to questions during class. *(Graded requirement)*

- **Write** 1 paragraph *in your own words* about one concept from the list for each assigned chapter for that set. For each, summarize *what you have learned about this concept and/or how this concept relates to something you have experienced in your life*. Post your paragraphs to peerScholar and TurnItIn. *(Graded requirement)*

- **Rate** your peers’ and your own paragraphs for helpfulness, clarity, and accuracy (on peerScholar). *(Graded requirement)*

- **Self-quizz** As you study, **quiz yourself** on the material to be tested. Can you answer each Learning Objective? Explain every key term? Compare and contrast related terms? Generate examples of each concept? Visited MyPsychLab? *(Independent study)*

- **Exam** Take the Exam on the material from those assigned chapters. *(Graded requirement)*
How Will We Know If We Have Met Our Goals?
Learning Appraisals: Details

MIDTERM TESTS (3 total, worth 15% each) AND FINAL EXAM (40%) All tests and exams will consist of a mix of multiple-choice and fill-in-the-blank questions. Additionally, the final exam will also include two written paragraphs based on what you write for Writing to Learn mini-papers (see below). You will be challenged to push beyond memorization of facts and to integrate and apply course material. Research shows greater long term retention when people expect a final test in the future (Szpunar, McDermott, & Roediger, 2007). Therefore, to best prepare you to apply course material in future related courses and to your life in general, the final exam is cumulative.

WRITING TO LEARN MINI-PAPERS (5 x 2%) These paragraphs will help you to apply course material to understand your everyday life experiences, and will help you practice your written communication skills, including summarizing and connecting concepts, peer feedback (facilitated by peerScholar), and revision. The first mini-paper worth 2% requires skeptically investigating claims of intelligence-enhancing products and will be explained in class (due January 17).

Write and Rate Concept Check Mini-Papers Each subsequent paper worth 2% requires writing two paragraphs. On Connect, you will find a list of at least 10 critical concepts per chapter. Choose one concept and summarize, in your own words, what you have learned about this concept and/or how this concept relates to something you have experienced in your life (Nevid, et al., 2012). Before each exam, submit two paragraphs (one per chapter being tested) to peerScholar and to Turnitin (worth 1% for completion). By the deadline after the exam, log in to peerScholar and review five submissions from your peers for clarity, helpfulness, and accuracy, and receive reviews on your work (average of five peer reviews is worth 1%; if you fail to review others’ work, you will receive zero for this component). On the final exam, you will be asked to choose any two concepts from those lists and write a paragraph about them. To study, you can revisit the paragraphs you wrote, and consider the peer feedback you received on them, to create your best paragraphs. Note: no notes may be brought to the final exam. More details will be discussed in class. See all deadlines for writing and rating in Our Course Schedule (page 9).

ENGAGEMENT IN LEARNING ABOUT PSYCHOLOGY (5%) Taking responsibility for your learning involves actively participating throughout this course. Because of the size of our class, it is challenging to measure individual participation on an ongoing basis. Therefore, your class contribution will be evaluated based on your responses to i>clicker questions in class. To earn maximum points, answer at least 75% of the i>clicker questions during a class period (and any one of those correctly), for at least 75% of the classes during the whole term.

Required Human Subject Pool credits (2%, plus up to an additional 3% bonus) The second way to engage in learning about psychology is to be a participant in ongoing research projects. Earn points toward your course grade by participating in research through the Human Subject Pool (HSP), or complete an alternative assignment. Study sign-ups and details about the alternative assignment are posted on https://hsp.psych.ubc.ca/. Participating in a 1 hour study (or completing 1 alternative assignment) earns you 1%; 2 are needed to earn the 2% required. An additional 3 are needed to earn 3% bonus. These points will be added to your final course grade, after any scaling that may be applied.

Engaging in these activities (and others, such as online and in class discussion, MyPsychLab activities, class activities, etc.) will help you learn the material and about the discipline – which should help you perform on tests and papers as well.
What We Expect from You (cont’d from p. 2)

ON TIME MINI-PAPERS Because of the way peerScholar works, you are required to meet each deadline or else you lose 2%. No late mini-papers will be accepted. TURNITIN.COM

REQUIREMENT: After you complete your paragraphs on peerScholar, you must turn in the exact same paragraphs to Turnitin within one day or lose 1%. Go to turnitin.com, create an account using your name (as it appears on your official UBC registration), enter our course ID (7431379) and password (psychology). Upload your paragraphs.

RE-GRADE POLICY: If you feel very strongly that a question on any exam or your peer reviews on your mini-paper were graded unfairly, you may submit the appropriate Re-Grade Request Form available on Connect. To qualify, you must submit the form to Dr. Rawn within 2 weeks of the date grades were posted on Connect. She will consider your request carefully and will respond via email within approximately one week of receiving it. Re-grading may result in an increase or decrease, and that re-grade is final.

PRESENCE AT MIDTERM TESTS Presence at tests is expected. If you miss a midterm test, you will receive a zero. There will be no make-up midterms. In documented cases of varsity athletic commitments (as per UBC policy), severe illness or other extenuating circumstance verified by UBC Academic Advising as warranting Academic Concession, or a conflict with a major religious holiday, obtain appropriate documentation and complete the Request For Excused Absence Form on Connect. If approved, the worth of the missed exam will be added to the final exam. Note: Testimony by unofficial parties such as parents and roommates will *not* count as appropriate documentation. You must seek official documentation and have it verified by a member of Academic Advising in your Faculty.

PRESENCE AT FINAL EXAMS Presence at the final exam is mandatory. If you absolutely must miss the final exam due to an extenuating circumstance like severe illness, you or your caregiver must apply for Academic Concession by contacting your Faculty’s Advising Office (e.g., Arts Advising through the Centre for Arts Student Services). If you have 3 or more exams scheduled to start and finish within a 24 hour period you may request to write the second exam on a different day. However, you must give the instructor of the second exam one month notice.

Let’s work together to make this course a positive experience for all of us.

FEEDBACK We invite you to share your thoughts and suggestions with us, particularly about things we are able to change, and be open to working together to make this course a positive experience for all of us.

You will be consulted for feedback about your learning experience, what elements of the course are working well for you, and what could be improved. For example, at the end of any class, you are welcome to submit in writing a summary of what you learned and/or a question about something you’re curious or confused about. I will take up some of these Comprehension Checks at the beginning of the next class.

USE OF ELECTRONICS IN THE CLASSROOM As determined collaboratively during the first week of class, there is a laptop-free zone in the front right section (as considered when facing the board) for those who wish to avoid such distraction.

What You Can Expect from Us

AVAILABLE We are here to help you and your classmates in your choice to succeed. Visiting us in person is typically more effective than email for clearing up questions. If our office hours absolutely cannot work for you, respectfully email us a few time and day options to make an appointment. Because of our class size, there may be limits on the number of appointments we can schedule.

ONLINE SLIDES PowerPoint slides and handouts will be available after class on our Connect site.

INTERACTION I will make every effort to keep you interested in class by mixing things up and getting you involved in learning activities. I will ask you to do only those activities that I believe will help you learn. To help document active learning, I may take some photographs throughout the term. Please see me within the first two weeks of the course if you have serious concerns about this.

FEEDBACK We will endeavour to provide you with feedback on learning appraisals as promptly and as with as much detail as possible, given the size of our class. You are invited to view your exams at our TAs’ offices hours (more details in class).

RESPECTFUL & ETICAL CONDUCT At all times, we aim to treat each of you with respect, and to make all course decisions with the highest standard of ethics in mind. If you feel you are being treated unfairly or disrespected by us or a classmate, we invite you to talk to us so we can sort out the issue together. To be clear: raising such a discussion would not impact your grade.

A NOTE ON WITHDRAWING FROM THIS COURSE Sometimes people find that they are unable or unwilling to handle the demands of a course. If you find yourself in this situation, I encourage you to talk to us for advice. If you wish to withdraw from this course without any record of the course on your transcript, you must do so before January 20. If you wish to withdraw from this course with only a withdrawal standing of “W” on your transcript, you must do so before February 14. Consult the UBC Academic Calendar for more information: http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=3.45.99.0
Tips for Success: Making Choices to Learn!

I believe you can master this course material at a high level, if you consistently choose to put in the effort required to do so. Here’s a rough guideline for how much time you should be spending on this (and each of your) courses this year: 2-3 hours out of class for every 1 hour in class. Note that some people will need more time than this.

WHAT CAN YOU DO IN CLASS?
- **Take notes** about what’s being discussed, using what’s on the slides to guide and organize your notes. (Don’t just copy down what you see on the slides; you’ll get those words later!).
- **Keep focused**. For example, avoid bringing a computer (or sitting behind someone else’s) if it will be a distraction for you. Get adequate sleep and nutrition.
- **Actively participate in activities, demonstrations, and discussions; thoughtfully answer i>clicker questions**. The point of all of these is to help you think about the material so you can master it and make it meaningful for your life.
- **Ask questions**. Be brave! If you would like clarification or are interested in how a concept connects or applies in some way… ask it either by raising your hand or in writing.

WHAT CAN YOU DO DURING THOSE 6-9 HOURS PER WEEK YOU SPEND ON THIS COURSE OUTSIDE CLASS?
- **Add to your class notes**. Fill in any missing gaps before you forget! Integrate your notes with the slides posted online (www.connect.ubc.ca). Build your notes so you can use them to study later.
- **Actively read the text**. For example, take notes using the section headers; convert headers into questions to help you identify the most important points. Take every chance available to test yourself (Bjork & Bjork, 2011). For example, complete “Assess your knowledge,” “Apply your thinking,” and “Think again” sections; after each chapter, close your book and freely recall everything you can remember, then go back and check what you got and what you missed (Karpicke & Blunt, 2011). **Build your notes so you can use them to study later.**
- **Test yourself using learning objectives from class and the text**. What should you be able to do with the course material? Learning objectives are meant to help you answer this question so you can study more effectively.
- **Explore the MyPsychLab activities** that come with your text.
- **Write your Writing to Learn Mini-Papers**. Start early! Seek advice from the Writing Centre, me, our TAs, and your peers.
- **Come to office hours and post questions on Connect**. Get to know your Leaders in Learning, ask questions about course material, and find out more about psychology!

Learning Tools to Investigate

I encourage you to take responsibility for your learning and check out what these resources have to offer.

**COLLEGE SUCCESS STRATEGIES** By S. L. Nist-Olejnik & J. P. Holschuh (2012, 4th edition). This book offers countless tips and strategies. It is primarily geared toward new university students, but there is a ton of useful information in there for upper years as well, from any discipline.


**UBC ACADEMIC REGULATIONS** Information about academic regulations, course withdrawal dates and credits can be found in the University Calendar.

**LEARNING COMMONS** is UBC’s online hub for study and research support. This interactive website provides you with a wealth of academic resources, from tutoring and workshops to study groups and online technology tools. It also offers plenty of information on a variety of academic topics, and links to nearly all of the academic resources offered at UBC. Make the Learning Commons your first stop for all things academic! http://learningcommons.ubc.ca

**WRITING SKILLS** The UBC Writing Centre offers tutoring services, including an Online Writer’s Workshop. Also, Purdue University offers an amazing collection of information about writing at their Online Writing Lab (OWL), available at http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl.

**PHYSICAL OR LEARNING DISABILITIES** UBC is committed to equal opportunity in education for all students (and so are we!), including those with documented physical disabilities or learning disabilities. If you have a disability that affects your learning in the classroom or your performance on tests or exams, please contact Access & Diversity in Brock Hall 1203, 1874 East Mall, Contact: 604.822.5844, www.students.ubc.ca/access.
Psychology Department Grading Policies

In order to reduce grade inflation and maintain equity across multiple course sections, all psychology courses are required to comply with departmental norms regarding grade distributions. According to departmental norms, the average grade in a 100- and 200-level Psychology courses are 67 for an exceptionally strong class, 65 for an average class, and 63 for a weak class, with a standard deviation of 14. The corresponding figures for 300- and 400-level classes are 70, 68, and 66, with a standard deviation of 13. Scaling may be used in order to comply with these norms; grades may be scaled up or down as necessary by the professor or department. Grades are not official until they appear on a student’s academic record. You will receive both a percent and a letter grade for this course. At UBC, they convert according to the key below:

A+ 90-100%  C+  64-67%
A  85-89%  C  60-63%
A-  80-84%  C-  55-59%
B+  76-79%  D  50-54%
B  72-75%  F  0-49%
B-  68-71%

Faculty of Arts Guidelines for Grading Criteria

You are earning a degree at a highly reputable post-secondary institution. Therefore, criteria for success are high. The Faculty of Arts offers the following guidelines that broadly characterize the kind of work that is generally associated with the main grade ranges. These characteristics help to put the Psychology Department Grading Policies into context. Note that adequate performance is in the C range, which is the typical class average.

A RANGE: Exceptional Performance. Strong evidence of original thinking; good organization in written work; capacity to analyze (i.e., break ideas down) and to synthesize (i.e., bring different ideas together in a coherent way); superior grasp of subject matter with sound critical evaluations; evidence of extensive knowledge base.

B RANGE: Competent Performance. Evidence of grasp of subject matter; some evidence of critical capacity and analytic ability; reasonable understanding of relevant issues; evidence of familiarity with the literature.

D-C RANGE: Adequate Performance. Understanding of the subject matter; ability to develop solutions to simple problems in the material; acceptable but uninspired work; not seriously faulty but lacking style and vigour.

F RANGE: Inadequate Performance. Little or no evidence of understanding of the subject matter; weakness in critical and analytical skills; limited or irrelevant use of the literature.

Consider these characteristics when making choices about the quality of work you submit in all learning appraisals, in this and any other course.
Ethical Conduct: Practices and Policies

Don’t Cheat. Don’t Plagiarize. It’s Not Worth It.
Read on For Key Definitions, Consequences, and Ways to Act Ethically

The consequences for unethical conduct are more severe than you may think: you may fail the assignment or test, you may fail the course, you may be expelled from University, and unable to attend any other post-secondary institution in the future. Think about the long-term implications of that outcome in your life.

Psychology Department’s Position on Academic Misconduct

Cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic misconduct are very serious concerns of the University, and the Department of Psychology has taken steps to alleviate them. In the first place, the Department has implemented software that can reliably detect cheating on multiple-choice exams by analyzing the patterns of students’ responses. In addition, the Department subscribes to Turnitin — a service designed to detect and deter plagiarism. All materials (term papers, lab reports, etc.) that students submit for grading will be compared to over 5 billion pages of content located on the Internet or in Turnitin’s own proprietary databases. The results of these comparisons are compiled into customized “Originality Reports” containing several, sensitive measures of originality that flag instances of matching text suggesting possible plagiarism; instructors receive copies of these reports for every student in their classes.

During exams, the instructor and invigilators reserve the right to move students in their seating arrangement with no explanation provided.

In all cases of suspected academic misconduct, the parties involved will be pursued to the fullest extent dictated by the guidelines of the University. Strong evidence of cheating or plagiarism may result in a zero credit for the work in question. According to the University Act (section 61), the President of UBC has the right to impose harsher penalties including (but not limited to) a failing grade for the course, suspension from the University, cancellation of scholarships, or a notation added to a student’s transcript. For details on pertinent University policies and procedures, please see Chapter 5 in the UBC Calendar (http://students.ubc.ca/calendar).

Why is Academic Misconduct Treated So Harshly?

Some people don’t feel like cheating on a test or taking a sentence or two from someone else’s paper without citing it is a big deal. Here’s a bit of insight into why we care so much. In the academic community—a community of which you are now a part—we deal in ideas. That’s our currency, our way of advancing knowledge. By representing others’ ideas in an honest way, we are (1) respecting the rules of this academic community, and (2) showcasing how our own novel ideas are distinct from but relate to their ideas. APA style gives us a formal way to indicate where our ideas end and where others’ begin. Welcome to the academic community. You are expected to act honestly and ethically, just like the rest of us.

Participating in the Academic Community Ethically

What can you do to ensure you are acting ethically? First, recognize that all graded work in this course, unless otherwise specified, is to be original work done independently by each individual.

Visit the Learning Commons’ guide to academic integrity UBC offers an online guide to preventing unintentional plagiarism and organizing your writing. Visit http://learningcommons.ubc.ca/resource-guides/avoiding-plagiarism/

Use the Library’s resources, including any of the indexes and databases listed under Indexes and Databases, Subject Resources, OneSearch or Metasearch on the Library’s website at http://www.library.ubc.ca. (Not sure which index to use? Click HELP on the library homepage at www.library.ubc.ca or try Subject Resources.) When instructed to do so, you may use sources such as Google/Yahoo/MSN Search/etc. to find articles for assignments in this course, particularly Google Scholar.

Be careful and critical of what you read and choose to cite. Reference all material using APA style; if you cannot find a proper reference, question whether that source is appropriate to use. Do not copy and paste text from other sources, even in a draft, as you might unintentionally misrepresent those words as your own in a later draft (which would still qualify as plagiarism).

If you have any questions about what sources to use or how to cite them without plagiarizing, please see your Instructor or TA before handing in your assignment.
**Our Course Schedule**

This plan is subject to change. Changes will be announced in class and posted on the Connect course website.

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<td>#1 Skeptical Intelligence: Write due Friday January 17</td>
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<td>January 20, 22, 24</td>
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<td>January 27, 29, 31</td>
<td>Ch 10 Human Development</td>
<td>Test #1: Friday Jan 31 (Ch 1, 9, 10, pp. 55-56, 58-64, 73-75, all classes)</td>
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<td>February 3, 5, 7</td>
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<td>February 12, 14</td>
<td>Ch 2 pp. 47-51 Research Methods Moments Ch 12 Stress, Health, &amp; Coping</td>
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**Spring Break!**

| February 17, 19, 21 | | |
| February 24, 26, 28 | Ch 12 Stress, Health, & Coping | Test #2: Wed February 26 (Ch 11, 12, pp. 47-51, classes since Test 1) | #3 Ch 11&12: Write due Monday February 24 |
| March 3, 5, 7 | Ch 13 Social Psychology | Rate due Friday February 28 |
| March 10, 12, 14 | Ch 13 Social Psychology Ch 14 Personality | | |
| March 17, 19, 21 | Ch 14 Personality | Test #3: Wed March 19 (Ch 13, 14, pp. 69-72, classes since Test 2) | #4 Ch 13&14: Write due Monday March 17 |
| March 24, 26, 28 | Ch 15 Psychological Disorders | Rate due Friday March 21 |
| March 31 April 2, 4 | Ch 16 Psychological and Biological Treatments Ch 2 pp. 65-68 Research Methods Moments | | |
| April 7 | Catch-up & Synthesis Exam Review/Preparation | #5 Ch 15&16: Write due Monday April 7; Rate due Wednesday April 9 |

*The final exam date will be set by the registrar. Do not book travel during exam period: April 12 to 30, including Saturdays.*

The **Final Exam will feature** most heavily the new material covered since Midterm 3 (Chapters 15-16 and pp. 65-68, plus class material), but will include class and reading material from the entire course (Chapters 1, 2 (pp. 47-51, 54-75 only), 9-16, and class material).

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