

CATALOG INFORMATION

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Dept & Nbr: PSY 216 Title: SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY

Full Title: Social Psychology

Units	Course Hours	Per Week	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours	Total
Max: 3.0	Lecture	3.0	17	Lecture	51.0
Min: 3.0	Lab	0.0		Lab	0.0
	Contact DHR	0.0		Contact DHR	0.0
	Contact Total	3.0		Contact Total	51.0
	Non-contact DHR	0.0		Non-contact DHR	0.0

Title 5 Category: 01 AA Degree Applic
Grading: GC Credit course for grade or CR/NC
Repeatability: 00 No repeatability allowed or defined
Also listed as:

CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

An analysis of the interaction between the person and society. Includes study of attitude formation and change, social institutions, conformity, and human aggression.

PREREQUISITES:

COREQUISITES:

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION:

ENG 200; PSY 205

LIMITS ON ENROLLMENT:

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES INFORMATION:

Recommended: ENG 200; PSY 205

Have you ever thought about how much of your life is spent interacting with others? If you are like most people, it's a lot! Social Psychology focuses on the behavior of individuals in many varied social settings. Topics covered include: aggression and conflict; leadership; prejudice and discrimination; interpersonal attraction; attitudes; gender; altruism; socialization processes; communication; and many others. (Grade or CR/NC)
Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

ARTICULATION and CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE: Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:
Area: B2 SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

CSU GE: Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:
Transfer area: D9 PSYCHOLOGY

IGETC: Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:
 Transfer area: 4I PSYCHOLOGY

CSU TRANSFER: TRANSFERABLE Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:

UC TRANSFER: TRANSFERABLE Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:

CAN:

CERTIFICATE APPLICABLE: N NOT CERTIFICATE/MAJOR APPLICABLE

APPROVAL AND DATES

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 Department approved: Date:
 Curriculum approved: 06/01/1981 Version approved: 06/01/1981
 Prerequisites approved: 06/01/1981 Last reviewed: 01/12/1990
 Term effective: FALL 1981 Last taught: FALL 2007 Inactive:

COURSE CONTENT

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OUTCOME AND OBJECTIVES:

1. Know basic methodology of social psychology.
2. Understand underlying theory of attitude formation and change.
3. Know current theory and research in attribution theory.
4. Understand basis for formation and maintenance of social institutions.
5. Become familiar with research on conformity and compliance.
6. Know current research on attraction.
7. Understand current theory and research on human aggression.

TOPICS AND SCOPE:

1. Introduction to Social Psychology
 - a. Psychology and Sociology
 - b. Social Psychological Theories
 - c. Ethical Considerations
2. Social Perceptions and Attributions
 - a. Social Perceptions and Attributions
 - b. Attribution
 - c. Perception of the Situation
3. Communication and Language
 - a. Symbols and Language
 - b. Acquiring Language
 - c. Language and Thinking
4. Socialization and Development
 - a. Preconditions
 - b. Learning Processes
 - c. Socialization Across the Life Span
5. Identities and the Self
 - a. The Self
 - b. Self-conceptions
6. Attitudes and Attitude Change
 - a. The Nature of Attitudes

- b. Organization of Attitudes
- c. Persuasion and Attitude Change
- 7. Norms
 - a. Effecting Social Order
 - b. Conformity in Group Settings
 - c. Compliance in the Absence of External Pressure
- 8. Roles
 - a. The Nature of Roles
 - b. Self-presentation
- 9. Relationships and Interpersonal Attraction
 - a. Social Relationships
 - b. Attraction in the Dyad
 - c. Responses to Dissatisfaction in a Relationship
- 10. Altruism and Helping Behavior
 - a. Positive Forms of Social Behavior
 - b. Notions of a Just World, Equity and Equality
- 11. Aggression and Conflict
- 12. The Physical Environment and Interpersonal Behavior
 - a. The Physical Environment and Interpersonal Behavior
 - b. How People Handle Space
- 13. Groups and Group Behavior
 - a. Primary Groups and Secondary Groups
 - b. Reference Groups and Membership Groups
- 14. Power and Influence
 - a. The Nature of Power
 - b. Power as Process
 - c. From Might to Right
- 15. Prejudice and Racism
 - a. Intergroup Relations
 - b. Sources of Racial and Ethnic Antagonism
- 16. Gender Roles, Identities and Sexuality
 - a. Gender Roles and Identities
 - b. Sexism
- 17. Collective Behavior
 - a. Collective Behavior and Social Movements
 - b. Crowd Behavior
 - c. Social Problems

ASSIGNMENTS:

READING ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Textbook chapters will be assigned to correspond with class lectures and discussion.
2. Each student is expected to read extensively in a related topic, and report his/her findings to the class in a term paper.

WRITING ASSIGNMENTS:

1. One term paper on a related topic.
2. Short, written assignments.

OUTSIDE ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Reading assignments as indicated on course syllabus.
2. Researched term paper and oral report on in-depth topic.

ASSIGNMENTS THAT DEMONSTRATE CRITICAL THINKING:

1. Short writing assignments demonstrate application of concepts presented to personal problem solving.

2. Develop behavior strategies based on research on conformity and compliance.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION:

1. Lectures on all topics
2. Class discussion on reading and lectures
3. Handouts
4. Group critiques
5. Appropriate audio visual presentations

METHODS OF EVALUATION:

1. Midterms and final (approximately 50%)
2. Term paper (minimum five pages) (approximately 20%)
3. Oral report (approximately 10%)
4. Short written class assignments (approximately 20%)

BASIS FOR GRADING:

The assignment of a grade is based on the level of achievement of the outcomes and objectives of the course outline and is reflected in quantifiable terms in the course syllabus.

REPRESENTATIVE TEXTBOOKS:

Text: Exploring Social Psychology, David Myers, second edition/paperback, McGraw Hill and Handouts.

RATIONALE

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RESOURCES REQUIRED

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MISCELLANEOUS

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Advisory generate desc:	N	NO
Area department:	PSY	PSYCHOLOGY
Audit flag:	N	NOT AUDITABLE
Basic skills:	X	NOT BASIC SKILLS
Classification:	A	Liberal Arts and Sciences
Cost level:	01	
Disciplines:		PSYCHOLOGY
Division:	02	MERIDITH RANDALL
Faculty service areas:		PSYCHOLOGY
Fee:	\$0.00	
In-service:	X	NOT IN-SERVICE
Level below transfer:	X	NOT APPLICABLE
Matric-requiring:	X	Exempt from assessment
Maximum class size:	0	
Maximum wait list:	0	
Method of instruction:	02	LECTURE
Non-credit category:	X	NOT APPLICABLE, CREDIT COURSE
Open entry/exit:	N	Not open entry/exit
Pacs activity:	2001	PSYCHOLOGY
Pacs program project:	0000	
Preq/coreq generate desc:	N	NO
Preq/coreq provisional:	N	NO
Preq/coreq reg check:	N	NO PREREQUISITE RULES EXIST
Repeat group id:		
Requires instructor sig:	N	INSTRUCTOR'S SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED
SAM classification:	E	Non-occupational
Selected/special topic:	N	NOT A SELECTED TOPIC COURSE
Special class:	X	NOT A SPECIAL COURSE
TOP code:	2001.00	PSYCHOLOGY, GENERAL
Workload:	0.0000	