

Course Title	Social Psychology	Instructor(s)	Dr. Futoshi Kobayashi
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Class Style	Lecture & Active Learning	Office Hours	Monday & Wednesday 10:45 - 12:15
Track	Liberal Arts	Mode of Instruction	Solo
Credits	2	Allocated Year	3rd or 4th year, Spring Semester
Active Learning	2-(3) Presentations 4-(9) Group Work on Questions 5-(1) Cooperative Student Projects	Compulsory or Elective	Elective
Course Overview	<p>This course provides a basic introduction to the field of social psychology, which studies how the thoughts, feelings, and actions of a person are influenced by other people and social situations. Throughout the semester we will cover topics such as the self, attitudes and attitude change, group behavior, prejudice and discrimination, altruism, interpersonal relationships, conformity, and persuasion, among others. Our focus will be on the development of these topics and current research and application in these areas. Special emphasis will be placed on applying social psychological principles in cross-cultural situations.</p>		
Course Objectives	<p>Upon completion of this course students should have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a basic understanding of concepts of social cognition including attributions and schemata. • a basic understanding of the concept of self. • a basic understanding of concepts related to social influence including conformity, persuasion, and group dynamics. • a basic understanding of concepts related to social relations including attraction, conflict, altruism, and prejudice. 		
Prerequisite	None		
Course Schedule	No	Contents	Homework
	1	Chapter 1: Introducing Social Psychology	Read Chapter 2 text.
	2	Chapter 2: Social Learning	Read Chapter 3 text.
	3	Chapter 3: Social Cognition	Read Chapter 4 text.
	4	Chapter 4: Social Affect	Read Chapter 5 text.
	5	Chapter 5: The Self	Read Chapter 6 text. Prepare for Test 1 by following the study guide I gave you today.
	6	Test 1 & Chapter 6: Attitudes and Persuasion	Read Chapter 7 text.
	7	Chapter 7: Various Issues in Persuasion	Read Chapter 8 text.
	8	Chapter 8: Perceiving Others	Read Chapter 9 text.
	9	Chapter 9: Causal Attribution	Read Chapter 10 text. Prepare for Test 2 by following the study guide I gave you today.
	10	Test 2 & Chapter 10: Social Influence and Conformity	Read Chapter 11 text.
	11	Chapter 11: Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Discrimination	Read Chapter 12 text.
	12	Chapter 12: Liking and Loving	Read Chapter 13 text.
	13	Chapter 13: Helping and Altruism	Read Chapter 14 text.
14	Chapter 14: Group Performance and Decision Making	Prepare for Test 3 by following the study guide I gave you today.	

	15	Test 3 & How to Prepare Your Final Exam	Upload your final exam presentation slides on or before the day of the final exam.
		Final Exam	
Grading	<p>Tests (3 times X 30%): 90%</p> <p>Final Exam (Group Presentation): 10%</p> <p>The final grade will be determined as below.</p> <p>A: 90-100 points</p> <p>B: 80-89 points</p> <p>C: 70-79 points</p> <p>D: 60-69 points</p> <p>F: Less than 60 points</p> <p>Plagiarism</p> <p>Students must submit their own work and not copy from other sources, unless they credit their sources with appropriate referencing. Students caught copying information from other sources and pretending that it is their own work will automatically result in a grade of 'F' or withdrawal from the course.</p>		
Textbooks	You can download all the texts from the course in Moodle.		
References	None		
NOTES	<p>You are expected to be punctual and to attend all lessons. A delay or early departure will be counted as a one-third day absence. A "delay" means an arrival to the class after the instructor calls rolls. However, any absence, delay, or early departure can be excused if an official document (e.g., doctor's notes) is submitted to your instructor <u>within 7 days</u> of such an occurrence. When you miss a lesson, it is your responsibility to see your instructor afterwards (and perhaps other students who attended the lesson), to find out how to catch up with the work you missed. If you expect to be absent from a forthcoming lesson, you should email your instructor to explain your absence at least one day in advance. The schedule, policies, and procedures in this course are subject to change due to the class progress, weather conditions (e.g., typhoons), etc., and at the discretion of the instructor.</p> <p>A maximum of three (3.0) absences is allowed. More than three absences will automatically result in a grade of F (Fail).</p>		