

Syllabus: PSY100H1S

Introductory Psychology, Fall 2015

Tuesday 11-12 & Thursday, 11 - 1
Convocation Hall

Instructor

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Teaching Assistants

The TAs are super-important for making this course into what it can be. They are available to answer your questions about the course and otherwise help you learn how to learn about Psychology. There are many opportunities for you to make contact with the TAs, and turn this otherwise HUGE course into something that, just maybe, could feel a little more personal.

We have SIX Teaching Assistants for this term, and their job, helping you learn about Psychology, will be really, really boring if you don't come and talk to them! So make use of the many opportunities for making contact with your TAs (e.g., attending tutorials, attending office hours, using the Piazza discussion forum, etc.). Your TAs are all extremely knowledgeable about Psychology and are a great resource for you. And they are super cool. Talk to them!

Office Hours: TAs will hold office hours EVERY WEEK! We will announce the time very soon!

Office hours are held in Sidney Smith, PSY100 Instruction Center, 5016 – It is impossible to miss this room, if you go up to the 5th floor, turn left from the stairs or elevator, and walk to the very end of the hall, refusing to discontinue walking under any and all circumstances, until reaching the appropriate room. If, somehow, this does not work, logic will shatter and all laws of space and time will become meaningless.

Email Account

psy100@psych.utoronto.ca

Please send all questions, comments, etc. to the PSY100 email account. We will do our best to respond within **two** working days. In return, **please** try not to email us questions that are already answered in this syllabus or on the course website. Also, at high traffic times (like just before midterms), we may receive a very large volume of emails, so it may take a little longer to respond, but we'll do our best....

Textbook

Krause, Corts, et al. (2014). An Introduction to Psychological Science, First Canadian Edition, Pearson, Canada (available in the U of T Bookstore)

- NOTE: If you have a copy of the U.S. Edition of Kraus & Corts, it is **NOT** a suitable substitute; the two books cover very different content.

Grading Breakdown

Item	Weight	Notes
Term test 1	30%	Held during class time on Thursday, October 15
Term test 2	30%	Held during class time on Thursday, November 19
Final Exam	36%	Held during the December 2014 examination period
Experimental Credits	4%	Details below and on the Experiments page on the course website

Schedule

Schedule of Lectures, Reading Assignments, and Midterms

The purpose of this schedule is to help you organize your readings; the specific topics covered in lecture will not always map onto the chapters assigned, because we will spend more time on some topics and allow the textbook to speak for itself on others. This suggested schedule will spread out your readings out through the term. Will this allow you to avoid cramming at the last minute? Almost certainly not, but maybe it will help?

Note: Not every module is covered in every chapter!! You are only responsible for the modules that are specified in the reading list below.

September 15	Some Fundamental Insights of Psychology Modules 1.1, 1.2
September 17	Modules 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 Introduction to Methods
September 22	Modules 3.2, 3.3 The Embodied Mind
September 24	Module 3.4 The Embodied Mind continued...
September 29	Modules 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 How We Perceive Reality
October 1	Perceiving Reality continued...
October 6	Modules 5.2, 5.3 Altered States of Consciousness
October 8	Modules 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 Learning
October 13	Learning continued...
October 15	Midterm 1 (same time as normal class; rooms will be announced closer to the date)
October 20	Modules 7.1, 7.2, 7.3 Memory
October 22	Modules 8.2, 9.1, 9.2, 9.3 Thinking & Intelligence
October 27	Modules 11.1, 11.3, 11.4 Emotions & Motivation
October 29	Emotions & Motivation continued...
November 3	Modules 14.1, 14.2, 14.3 Health, Stress and Happiness!
November 5	Modules 10.2, 10.3, 10.4 Lifespan Development

November 10	No class today!
November 12	Modules 13.1, 13.2, 13.3 Social Psychology
November 17	Social Psychology continued...
November 19	Midterm 2 (NOT cumulative!) (same time as normal class; rooms will be announced closer to the date)
November 24	Modules 12.1, 12.3, 15.1, 15.2 Psychological Disorders
November 26	Modules 15.3, 15.4 Psychological Disorders continued...
December 1	Modules 16.1, 16.2, 16.3 Approaches to Therapy
December 3	Final Class

Final Exam to be scheduled during the December 2014 examination period. This exam is cumulative, covering the entire course.

Accessibility Needs

The University of Toronto is committed to accessibility. If you require accommodations or have any accessibility concerns, please visit <http://studentlife.utoronto.ca/accessibility> as soon as possible.

Course Policies

Missed Tests (further details available on the course website)

****If you miss a midterm, you must bring appropriate documentation (e.g., medical note) to Sidney Smith, Room 4027, where there is a PSY100 mail slot.**

There are no make-up tests, in most circumstances. If you miss one midterm, that proportion of your grade (30%) will be split equally between by your other midterm grade and the final exam (i.e., 15% weighting will be added to the other midterm and final exam). If you miss both midterms for appropriate reasons, you will have to write a make-up test, which will be scheduled as soon as possible after the second midterm. This make-up test will cover the same material as the 2nd midterm.

Experiment Participation (further information on Experiments is available on the course website)

Your participation in experiments is worth **4%** of your overall grade. Most experiments are worth a 1% credit each. If you sign up for an experiment and are unable to attend, you **MUST** cancel at least 12 hours prior to the experiment. If you do not, you will be awarded a 'no-show' and 1 credit will be deducted from your total experiment participation mark.

*****Please review ALL the information on the Experiment page of the course website.*****

That's all. We hope you enjoy the course!