



Prince George Campus
Department of Psychology
University Transfer Programme

Psychology 208 (3)
Introduction to Human Sexuality
Fall 2017

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Total Course Hours: 45 lecture hours

Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Psychology 101, Psychology 102

Textbook:

Pukall, C.F. (ed.). (2017). *Human Sexuality: A Contemporary Introduction*. Don Mills, Ontario: Oxford University Press.

Course Objectives:

This course examines human sexuality from biological, psychological, and social perspectives. Topics will include perspectives on sexuality, theoretical approaches, sexual anatomy and the sexual response cycle, psychosexual development, variations in sexual behavior, attraction and intimacy, contraception and abortion, sexually transmitted infections, gender, sexual orientation, pornography, and sexual coercion.

Format:

The course consists primarily of lectures with occasional video presentations. Questions and class discussion are encouraged. The use of text messaging, facebook etc. is not permitted in the classroom. If you require any special accommodation during lectures or exams, please see me and disability support services early in the semester. Be sure that any special arrangement you make with me (such as changing due dates, exam dates etc.) is made in my office so that a written record of the arrangement can be made.

Evaluation:

Your final mark will be based on the following assignments and exams:

Exam	Date	Value	Topics Tested
Exam 1	Oct. 11	26%	Chapters 1, 2, 4, 16*, 5, 10*
Exam 2	Nov. 10	26%	Chapters 7, 8, 9, 10*
Exam 3	Final exam week	36%	Chapters 11, 12, 15*, 17*, 18

* only pages indicated in Course Outline

Assignments

Critique	Sept. 25	6%
Critique	Nov. 17	6%

Exams will include all material from selected textbook chapters and class. All exams must be written in order to pass the course. Inform me before an exam if you can't write it at the scheduled time. A make-up exam will be provided only if you have adequate reason for missing the exam (e.g. significant illness, bereavement). Make up exams may include short answer and essay questions in addition to multiple-choice questions.

Five percent per day will be deducted for late assignments. Late assignments will not be accepted one week past the due date.

Grading Scheme:

A+ 90–100%	B+ 76–79.9%	C+ 64–67.9%	D 50–54.9%
A 85–89.9%	B 72–75.9%	C 60–63.9%	F 0–49.9%
A- 80–84.9%	B- 68–71.9%	C- 55–59.9%	

Academic honesty and student conduct:

Students are expected to conduct themselves with academic integrity and in accordance with CNC's established standards of conduct. Penalties for misconduct, including plagiarism, cheating and personal misconduct are outlined in the *Standards of Conduct: Student Responsibility and Accountability* document found in the policies section of CNC's website. All students should familiarize themselves with this document.

http://cnc.bc.ca/Visiting/CNC_Policies.htm

Accessibility services:

Students who require academic accommodations as a result of a disability should advise both the instructor and Accessibility Services. Students requiring support should familiarize themselves with the College Access: Students with Disabilities policy.

http://cnc.bc.ca/Visiting/CNC_Policies.htm

Withdrawal Policy:

The College's policy concerning a student's withdrawal from a university transfer course is outlined in the CNC Calendar. Please read and familiarize yourself with this policy. Counsellors can help you through the process if, for personal reasons, you need to drop a course after the deadline. http://cnc.bc.ca/Visiting/CNC_Policies.htm

Course Outline:

Week beginning	Topic*	Chapter
Sept. 4	Perspectives on Sexuality	1
Sept. 11	Theoretical Approaches	2
Sept. 18	Genital Anatomy and Sexual Response	4
Sept. 25	Sexual Dysfunctions	16 (pp. 388-407)
Oct. 2	Sex Hormones and Human Sexuality	5
	Disorders of Sexual Development	10 (pp. 241-245)
Oct. 9	Contraception and Pregnancy Options	7
	Exam 1 (Wed. Oct 11)	
Oct. 16	Contraception and Pregnancy Options	7
	Sexually Transmitted Infections	8
Oct. 23	Sexually Transmitted Infections	8
	Sexuality Over the Lifespan	9
Oct. 30	Gender	10 (omit pp. 241-245)
Nov. 6	Sexual/Affectional Orientations and Diversity	11
	Exam 2 (Nov. 10)	
Nov. 13	Attraction, Intimacy and Love	12
	Variations in Sexual Behavior	15 (364-381)
Nov. 20	Selling and Buying Sex	18
Nov. 27	Sexual Assault and Harassment	17 (pp. 414-434)
Dec. 4	Final Exam Period Begins (Thursday)	

*Topics and dates are subject to change. You are responsible for noting such changes and directing your readings accordingly.