

TEXT: Zimbardo, Psychology and Life (11th Edition), 1985

LECTURES AND READING ASSIGNMENTS. The lectures will not duplicate the material presented in the text. Instead the lectures will present greater depth in certain issues and related materials. For optimal preparation and maximal benefit from class attendance, you should read the assigned chapters before the following lecture dates:

Tuesday, April 7.....Chapter 1 "...Mysteries..."
Thursday, April 9.....Ch. 2 "...development"
Thursday, April 16.....Ch. 11 "...personality"
Thursday, April 23.....Ch. 12 "Assessing..."
Thursday, April 30.....Ch. 13 "...stress"

NOTE: There will be NO class on Tuesday, May 5.

NOTE: On Thursday, May 7, there will be an "optional midterm" (see below).

Tuesday, May 12.....Ch. 14 "Abnormal..."
Tuesday, May 19.....Ch. 15 "therapies..."
Tuesday, May 26.....Ch. 16 "Social bases..."
Tuesday, June 2.....Ch. 17 "...social issues"

EVALUATION: Three separate inputs could (but need not) be used in deriving your course grade: 1) a final exam; 2) an optional midterm; and 3) discussion group.

1) Final Exam. The compulsory final exam will cover the ENTIRE course and will be aimed at assessing your comprehension of the ideas presented in both the text and lectures. Date: Wednesday, June 10 at 1:00 p.m.

2) Midterm. The midterm, scheduled for Thursday, May 7, is optional. This means that you have the option of taking or not taking it. If you elect to take it, you still have the option of keeping or discarding the grade you receive on it. You are encouraged to take the midterm -- if only as a "practice exam" -- since it will be very similar in form ("semi-objective") to the final exam.

3) Discussion group. In your weekly laboratory and discussion session, you will be taking several quizzes and be doing several projects. Attendance and successful performance of these tasks will comprise 25% of your course grade. The grade will be based on accumulated points.

Depending on whether you keep your midterm grade, the following weights will be assigned the three inputs:

	DISCUSSION	MIDTERM	FINAL EXAMINATION
Track 1.....	25%.....	25%.....	50%
Track 2.....	25%.....		75%

RESEARCH REQUIREMENT. You are required to participate in 3 experiments this term or write a paper on experimental research. Details will be provided by your discussion group leader. A failure to complete this requirement by June 2nd will result in the deduction of one letter grade from your final mark (e.g., if you had a B and did not complete the requirement your final grade would be C).

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