

Course Information Sheet

PSY 205: Psychology as a Social Science
Winter 1987: Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:30-13:50

Freshman Seminar
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Text: Zimbardo, Psychology and Life (11th Edition), 1985

Format: There will be lecturettes and seminar-type interactions with in-class demonstrations and exercises. Attendance is required; missed classes (for any reason) will require compensation in the form of a typed paper on the topic covered the day class was missed.

Assignments: The following chapters should be read prior to the classtimes listed below:

Tuesday, January 13.....Chapter 1 "...Mysteries..."
Thursday, Jan. 15.....Ch. 2 "...development"
Thursday, Jan. 22.....Ch. 11 "...personality"
Thursday, Jan. 29.....Ch. 12 "Assessing..."
Tuesday, Feb. 10.....Ch. 14 "Abnormal..."
Tuesday, Feb. 17.....Ch. 15 "therapies..."
Tuesday, Feb. 24.....Ch. 13 "...stress"
Tuesday, March 3.....Ch. 16 "Social bases..."
Tuesday, March 10.....Ch. 17 "...social issues"

Small Groups: Once a week, at a designated time and place outside of class, small groups (6 persons each) will meet to discuss the readings and class presentations and to work on the group project and other planned activities. One member of the group will be the monitor who will file the group "minutes" with the instructor and who will receive any special instructions or materials for the week's activity.

Group Projects: The groups will each decide upon and present to the class some project or planned activity that will entrance appreciation of the material being covered in this course. Project ideas should be submitted to and approved by the instructor prior to their presentation. Some possible ideas: give a demonstration of some phenomenon to the class, present a debate on a pertinent issue, make up and administer an assessment instrument, give an oral presentation, present systematic observations on some topic, carry out an experiment and present results, or organize a class activity. Other ideas will be welcomed.

Grading: Term grades will be based on the results of the following activities: two midterms (on Feb. 5th and Feb. 26th), a final examination, class participation, intermittent quizzes, small group participation and project, and an optional personal interview with the instructor.

Office hours: 2:00-3:00 Thursday and 2:30-3:30 Friday
231 Straub, ext. 5582 (4921 message)

Special note: There will be no class meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 24th.

STATEMENT OF INFORMED CONSENT

Now that I understand the procedures that will be used in this experiment, and the task that I will be expected to perform, I agree to participate. However, I also understand that AT ANY TIME throughout the experiment, I may cease participating if I feel a need to do so. I also understand that if I choose to cease participating, there will be no prejudices held against me and I will still receive credit for participating in this experiment. Finally, I understand that the data collected in this experiment will be anonymously recorded; that is, these data will never be directly linked to my name.

Information about this experiment can be obtained from Dr. M. Gernsbacher, Department of Psychology, Straub 445, 686-4914 or 686-4912.

My signature on this form indicates that I have read and that I understand this statement of informed consent.

Signature

Date

Please PRINT your name:

Name