

**Psychology 478
Child Socialization
Fall 1990**

**Text: Social and Personality Development
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Dates	Topic	Readings
9/24	Introduction	Chap. 1
9/26- 9/28	Developmental Theories	Chap. 2,3,4
10/1 -10/5	Origins Soc. Dev.	Chap. 5, Clarke
10/8-10/12	Attachment and Prediction of social dev.	Chap. 6 Bretherton
10/15	The Daycare debate	Scarr et.al
10/17 -10/19	Dev. of the Self	Chap. 7 Lewis
10/22	Midterm	
10/24 -10/31	Dev. within Family	Chap. 13, 8 Kozol, Matthews
11/2-11/5	Prosocial and Moral Dev.	Chap. 10,11
11/7- 11/16	Aggression	Chap. 9
11/19-21	Sex Role Development	Chap. 12
11/21	Paper Due	
11/26-30	Cultural Differences	Garcia-coll
12/3-7	Extra Familial Influences	Chap. 14
Final Exam,	Dec. 15, 10:15 A.M..	

Midterm Exam 25% of Grade, 10/22/90 In class.

This will be an essay exam in class. Material from the readings and lectures through 10/15 will be included.. Study questions will be provided.

Final Exam 40% of Grade,

Format will be same as midterm except the whole course will be covered. This is a Friday Final, and I don't like it any better than you, but I can not give finals early, please do not ask.

Required Paper 35% of grade, Due 11/21. Late papers will be penalized. Details in handout.

Office hours: Monday, 9:45 -11:45 , Tuesday 1:30-2:30 203 Straub

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**Required Paper
Due November 21
35% of Grade**

You may choose to write this paper on any of the topics covered in the course. However, each topic is obviously too large for a paper. You might decide you are interested in aggression and do the assigned reading for this area. Your next task is to narrow down the range of your paper. You may decide you are interested in families who use abusive control with their children. After reading for awhile you may find that you need to narrow the topic even more. You should gradually limit the scope of your questions until you have a topic you can comfortably cover in a 10 to 15 page paper. **Papers on topics outside those covered in your course syllabus will not be graded.**

I am assuming you have had psychology 303: Research Methods. This assignment is a combination of a term paper where you review the literature and a research proposal. You are responsible for knowing what a research proposal should be.

The paper should include a critical literature review, and then either a research study designed to answer questions raised in your literature review or a treatment or intervention program designed to alleviate a problem identified in your literature review. Obviously you do not need to run your research study or your intervention program, but you should present studies or programs which are realistic. Doing away with poverty might be a great solution for all sorts of societal ills, but it is not a realistic suggestion for an intervention program. Designing a study calling for unethical or impossible manipulations also would not be acceptable. Remember your study or intervention should be directly related to the problems raised in your literature review. You should follow APA style for presentation of your study. This means you describe your study, your design, your instruments and the procedure. In addition, you should

describe the statistical procedures you would use to test your hypotheses.

The format of the paper should be as follows:

Introduction- Description of your topic 10 points

Presentation and Evaluation of studies relevant to your topic. This is a critical review of the literature not just a summary of previous findings.. 20 points

Summary and conclusion following from your literature review. 10 points.

Hypotheses for your research study. 5 points

Research study or treatment program. 20 points.

Discussion of predicted findings. 5 points.

Papers are due on November 21. I will accept them early. For every day you are late you will lose 5 points. Holidays and weekends count as one class day. Please plan ahead. Do not ask for extensions.