



*The University of Texas at Dallas*  
*Course Syllabus*

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**Course Information**

*Course number:* PSY 3331.0u1

*Course title:* **SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY**

*Term:* Summer 2016

*Meeting times:* **Tuesdays & Thursdays 10am-12:15pm, GR 3.420**

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Or, you may choose one of many other times I am available by using this link to make an appointment: <http://drkarenhj.youcanbook.me/>. This adds your appointment directly to my calendar and sends you a reminder message.

*Other information:* Email is the fastest and best way to reach me. **Please put the course name in your subject line [SOC] and use your UTD email account, or use the eLearning mail system.**

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**Course Pre-requisites, Co-requisites, and/or Other Restrictions**

*Required prior knowledge or skills:* none

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**Course Description**

This course presents an introduction to the field of social psychology. We will examine theory and research as well as practical applications to social problems. In addition to learning how social psychologists do research, we will learn about how we think about the social world, how we come to understand other people and ourselves, self-justification and the need to maintain self-esteem, influencing thoughts and feelings, influencing behavior, influence in social groups, interpersonal attraction, why people help, why people hurt other people, and causes and cures of prejudice. Special attention will be paid to what social psychology can offer to the solving of social problems in these areas and in the areas of health-related behavior and beliefs and the law.

This course is appropriate for students interested in psychology, the health professions, law, political science, business, advertising, human services, education, communications, gender studies/women's studies, history, public administration, and sociology—essentially, this course will be interesting to all who are or live among human beings. Course requirements will include class attendance and participation, exams, and multiple writing assignments. Satisfies the Core Curriculum Social and Behavioral Science requirement.

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**School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences Student Learning Objectives/Outcomes**

My job is to guide your learning activity by giving you credit for engaging in the behaviors that will help you learn. The following chart shows how the assignments will help you to achieve the course objectives.

After completing the course, students will have achieved the following objectives:

Student learning objectives/outcomes	Method of assessing achievement of objectives		
	Exams	Discussion Board Participation	Clicker Participation
*program-level objectives			
1.1 Describe and explain the nature of Social psychology as a scientific discipline.	X		
1.2* Describe and analyze major theoretical perspectives and overarching themes of Social psychology and their historical development.	X	X	
1.3* Describe, apply, and analyze five selected content areas within Social psychology.	X	X	X
2.1 Identify and explain different research methods used by Social psychologists.	X		X
2.5* Use critical thinking to evaluate popular media, scholarly literature, and empirical reports.	X	X	X
3.1 Apply ethical standards to evaluate Social psychological science and practice.	X		X
3.2 Demonstrate how psychological principles can explain and inform clinical issues, social issues, organizational issues, and public policy.	X	X	
4.1 Demonstrate effective writing skills in various formats (e.g., summaries, integrations, critiques, technical reports in APA style) and for various purposes (e.g., informing, teaching, explaining, defending, persuading, arguing).		X	
4.2 Demonstrate effective oral communication skills in various contexts (e.g., group discussion, debate, lecture) and for various purposes (e.g., informing, teaching, explaining, defending, persuading, arguing).			X
5.1 Demonstrate professional behavior by meeting deadlines and with conscientious completion of responsibilities.	X	X	X

**"Learning is not the product of teaching. Learning is the product of the activity of the learners."**

**—John Holt**

## Required Textbooks and Materials

### ***NO LAPTOPS OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES***

1. Aronson, E., Wilson, T. D., & Akert, R. M. (2013). *Social psychology* (8th ed.). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall, **ISBN 9780205796625**. A copy of the textbook is available on reserve in the library. The 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the textbook may be used in conjunction with the newer edition on reserve.
2. You will respond to in-class activities using a response clicker, the Response Card RF-LCD made by Turning Point. These can be purchased in bookstores on and off campus.
3. Pick up **5 Exam System II #229630** answer sheets for exams, available free at the off-campus bookstore. You must bring your answer sheet (and your #2 pencils, of course) to each scheduled exam.
4. We will be using the eLearning system throughout the semester for recording your grades, participating in graded discussions, and for providing supplemental readings and handouts.

If you experience any problems with eLearning, please call the eLearning Helpdesk at 866-588-3192. If you experience any problems with your UT Dallas account you may email [assist@utdallas.edu](mailto:assist@utdallas.edu) or call the UT Dallas Computer Help Desk at 972-883-2911.



**Recommended *optional* readings (just for fun)**

A number of relevant books by prominent researchers are widely available. You may enjoy reading them. I've listed some here for your benefit:

Robert B. Cialdini, *Influence: Science and practice*

Daniel Gilbert, *Stumbling on happiness*

John M. Gottman & Nan Silver, *The seven principles for making marriage work: A practical guide from the country's foremost relationship expert*

Carol Tavris & Elliot Aronson, *Mistakes were made (but not by me): Why we justify foolish beliefs, bad decisions, and hurtful acts*

Brian Wansink, *Mindless eating: Why we eat more than we think*

Philip Zimbardo, *The Lucifer effect: Understanding how good people turn evil*

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**Undergraduate Teaching Internship Opportunity**

If you decide that you have enjoyed this course, if you have done well (an A is nice, but a B+ might be OK too), and if you would like to gain experience helping others succeed, please apply for a position as an undergraduate teaching intern. This experience is listed on your transcript as a 3-credit course, PSY 4V96.015. Applications are collected and reviewed around registration time each semester. Stop by to see me with questions or for an application.

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**Assignments & Academic Calendar**

*Topics, Reading Assignments, Due Dates, Exam Dates:* See course calendar.

IMPORTANT: I want to help you do well in this class! To get the most benefit from your time in this class, read the material to be discussed *before* we discuss it in class. You will find classes to be much more interesting and involving if you *come prepared* to discuss each day's topic.

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you have to do in your  
own head.

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## PSY 3331.0u1 ♦ SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY ♦ Summer 2016

TUESDAYS	THURSDAYS
<b><u>May 24</u></b> Course overview & basic themes of human nature	<b><u>May 26</u></b> Ch. 1: What is social psychology?
<b><u>May 31</u></b> Ch. 2: Research methods: How do we figure out why people do what they do? <i>Ch 2 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>June 2</u> CLICKERS NEEDED AS OF TODAY</b> Ch. 3: Social cognition: How we think (or more often, don't) <i>Ch 3 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>June 7</u></b> Ch. 4: Social perception: How we understand others (or quite often, don't) <i>Ch 4 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>June 9</u></b> <b>10-11:20 EXAM 1</b> <b>11:30-12:15 Review Exam</b>
<b><u>June 14</u></b> Ch. 5: Self-knowledge: How we understand ourselves (or more often, don't) <i>Ch 5 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>June 16</u></b> Ch. 6: Self-justification: How we protect ourselves from reality <i>Ch 6 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>June 21</u></b> SPA-2 (pp. 415-429): Stress and coping: It's all in your head <i>SPA-2 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>June 23</u></b> Ch. 7: Attitudes and attitude change: how do we decide how we feel? <i>Ch 7 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>June 28</u></b> <b>10-11:20 EXAM 2</b> <b>11:30-12:15 Review Exam</b>	<b><u>June 30</u></b> Ch. 8: Conformity and compliance: Why we go along to get along <i>Ch 8 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>July 5</u></b> Ch. 9: Group processes: How others affect us more than we realize <i>Ch 9 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>July 7</u></b> SPA-3 (pp. 433-440, 444-447): Eyewitness testimony and the limits of human ability to process information; group processes and juries <i>SPA-3 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>July 12</u></b> Ch. 13: Prejudice: Why do people hate each other? <i>Ch 13 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>July 14</u></b> <b>10-11:20 EXAM 3</b> <b>11:30-12:15 Review Exam</b>
<b><u>July 19</u></b>  NO CLASS	<b><u>July 21</u></b> Ch. 12: Aggression <i>Ch 12 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>July 26</u></b> Ch. 10: Attraction, friendships, and relationships: Why do people love each other? <i>Ch 10 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>	<b><u>July 28</u></b> Ch. 11: Prosocial behavior: Why do people help each other (but only sometimes)? <i>Ch 11 Discussion post due in eLearning before 9am</i>
<b><u>Aug 2</u></b> <b>10-11:20 EXAM 4</b> <b>11:30-12:15 Review Exam</b>	<b><u>Aug 4</u></b> <i>Review for final</i>
<b><u>Aug 9</u></b> <b>8:30 am-10:45 am FINAL EXAM</b>	Reminder: <b>Research Exposure Credits are DUE August 1:</b> <a href="https://utdallas.edu.sona-systems.com/">https://utdallas.edu.sona-systems.com/</a>



The final exam schedule is decided by the Office of the Registrar,

<http://www.utdallas.edu/registrar/final-exam-assignments/#>.

Please be sure to log in to Galaxy/Orion to check your personal final exam schedule.

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### Grading Policy

The basis for assigning grades in this course will be as follows:

	Points	% of final grade
Exams (4 @ 50 pts each)	200	60%
Final Exam	75	22%
Class Participation	30	9%
Discussion Board (14 @ 1 or 3 pts each)	30	9%
TOTAL	335	100%

### **TWO Research Exposure Credits also are required for this course.**

One requirement of all students enrolled in this class is completion of two research exposure credits. Details about this requirement can be found in this syllabus, in the BBS Information Center in eLearning, and at <http://bbs.utdallas.edu/undergraduate/rec.html>.

Research exposure credits must be completed by May 2<sup>nd</sup> or your course grade will be lowered. For each credit you fail to complete, your course grade will be reduced by 1/3 of a letter grade (e.g., for 2 missing credits, a B+ will become a B-).

Assignment of letter grades is as follows:

Points earned	Percent	Letter grade
310-335	93-100%	A
300-309	90-92%	A-
294-299	88-89%	B+
277-293	83-87%	B
267-276	80-82%	B-
260-266	78-79%	C+
243-259	73-77%	C
233-242	70-72%	C-
227-232	68-69%	D+
217-226	65-67%	D
0-216	0-64%	F

*I want to help you be successful in this course in every way I can BEFORE the end of the semester. Aside from the exams and assignments listed here, I simply cannot give you extra points or additional assignments. I can help you if you ask me "what can I do to improve my grade?" on the first day, not the last day.*

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### Course & Instructor Policies

**NO LAPTOPS or other electronic devices (e.g., cell phones, netbooks, voice recorders, etc.) will be allowed to be used during class time.** I have received an increasing number of complaints from students about other students making distracting use of laptops and cell phone texting during class time. In addition, research evidence indicates that taking notes on a laptop results in reduced learning and lower grades than taking handwritten notes.

*Extra credit:* Twenty extra credit points are already built in to the exams and assignments. Please note that absolutely no individualized extra credit will be available. If you are concerned about your grades, come see

me. I am always available to answer questions about grades and assignments. Please come to see me early to clear up points of confusion rather than waiting, which may simply add to your frustration and decrease your learning efficiency.

*Late work:* All assignments must be completed and submitted before they are due. **Late assignments will not be accepted.**

*Class participation:* **Class participation is required**, and is assessed by your participation throughout each class period. Because participation will be assessed using clickers, you must remember to bring your clicker to every class session. Not having your clicker, arriving late, being uninvolved, or leaving early all result in losing participation points for that day. Class attendance and participation are an important indication of your commitment and professionalism, and are critical to your success in this course. Classes will consist of lectures and discussions, and frequently will cover content not found in the textbook.

NOTE: Please be sure to acquire missed lecture notes, assignments, handouts, and announcements **from a classmate—NOT from me**. You are responsible for **all** information given in class. *This includes any changes to the syllabus, content and format of exams, and details given regarding assignments. Please see me for help any time!*

*Because your learning is my principal concern, I may make changes to this syllabus—assignments, exams, timelines, etc.—if it will facilitate your learning. All changes will be discussed in class.*

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## UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures

You are responsible for understanding the University Policies that may be seen at:

<http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies>

Field Trip Policies

Student Conduct & Discipline

Email Use

Withdrawal from Class

Student Grievance Procedures

Incomplete Grade Policy

Services for Students with Special Needs

Religious Holy Days

Also, please be sure that you understand the following **Course & Instructor Policies**:

### Academic Integrity

Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, statements, acts or omissions related to applications for enrollment or the award of a degree, and/or the submission as one's own work or material that is not one's own. As a general rule, scholastic dishonesty involves one of the following acts: cheating, plagiarism, collusion, and/or falsifying academic records. Students suspected of academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary proceedings.

**Plagiarism, especially from the web, from any textbook, from portions of papers for other classes, and from any other source (including your own work for other past or current classes) is unacceptable and will be dealt with under the university's policy on plagiarism (see general catalog for details).** This course will use the resources (among others) of turnitin.com, which searches the web for possible plagiarism and is over 90% effective. Instances of plagiarism that are not detected by turnitin.com are also subject to review by the Office of Judicial Affairs.

To signify endorsement of academic integrity and a promise to behave with integrity, all students sign the following Comet Creed that will be attached to and submitted with each exam:

### Comet Creed

*This creed was voted on by the UT Dallas student body in 2014. It is a standard that Comets choose to live by and encourage others to do the same:*

—As a Comet, I pledge honesty, integrity, and service in all that I do.”

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### Video, audio, or other recording in class

No instructional materials or any type of recording made in class may be reproduced or disseminated by students except for the exclusive use of students enrolled in the course in which such materials have been provided. In particular, course materials may not be posted on the Internet without express written permission. Violations are subject to civil penalties or criminal prosecution under the federal Copyright Act of 1976, as amended. In addition, students who violate this rule regarding copyright infringement are subject to disciplinary action. It is a condition of a student's enrollment that he or she respect the copyrights of others and adhere to this copyright ruling.

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## Detailed Descriptions of Course Assignments

### Midterm Exams & Cumulative Final Exam

1. **Four 50-item midterm exams and a 75-item Final Exam** will be given to assess your mastery of the material in each section of the course. Exam format will be multiple-choice, based on material from the readings, lectures, videos, and class discussions.
  2. See me or a TA early if you need help preparing for an exam. It is helpful (but not required) to study first, and then come with a list of specific questions or areas of concern. Also, if you feel that you worked hard studying for an exam, but received a much lower grade than you anticipated, come see me so that we can diagnose where your study strategies went wrong and discuss how you should prepare differently in the future.
  3. You are welcome to go over each completed exam with me in my office until the date of the next exam (for example, you can come review Exam 1 until we have Exam 2, etc.).
  4. Preparing for an exam is an important part of the learning process—it takes *weeks* of preparation, not days or hours. Learning and understanding the material are the best preparation for the exams. Keeping up with the readings pays off. **Plan to spend at least 9 hours per week outside of class on reading and writing assignments for this course (12 hours per week for summer courses).**
  5. *Policy regarding Make-up exams:* **You must be present for exams.** If you might miss an exam, notify me at 972-883-6434 IMMEDIATELY. I must hear from you before the scheduled time of the exam. If you wait to talk to me at the next class meeting, you will not be able to make up the exam. Make-up exams will be given only if: (a) you were seriously ill and have verifiable documentation from a physician, or (b) you were detained the day and time of the exam (and have appropriate verifiable documentation), or (c) you made arrangements prior to the exam to attend an urgent family affair supported by verifiable documentation. In any of these cases, you must notify me in advance of the scheduled time of the exam (call and leave a voice-mail message if you can do nothing else). Otherwise, you will receive 0 points. It is your responsibility to make sure that the exam is made up **before the next class session**. If you do not show up for your makeup exam at the scheduled time, you will receive 0 points. Be aware, make-up exams are designed to be more difficult to compensate for having more study time.
  6. The final exam will include content from the entire course. Half of the items on the final exam will be nearly the same items you completed in class throughout the course.
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### Clickers and Class Participation

This course will require the use of a clicker. A clicker is a student response device that resembles a small calculator. This allows you to provide real-time feedback to your instructor during class. Class summary results are displayed graphically, providing students and the instructor a gauge as to how well the class is grasping the material. You can purchase (and sell back) your clicker at the bookstores. *Please remember to **register your clicker** in eLearning before the date indicated in the course calendar!*

You will have opportunities to earn participation credit using your clicker in just about every class. A minimum of 80% of possible opportunities must be attempted in order to earn *any* participation credit (e.g., you can't earn half credit by attending half of the class sessions).

Attending and being prepared for class earns you credit for class participation. Responses to clicker questions will make up the majority of your participation grade. The in-class activities count toward the final course grade only if you miss all or part of no more than two classes (*this does not mean you are "allowed" to miss 2 classes*). There are no excused absences because this leeway is sufficient to take into account that you might be ill, have a religious holiday, etc. Thus, if you miss one class for any reason, your overall grade is unlikely to be affected. If you miss three or more classes for any reason, your overall grade will be affected—no points for participation may be earned. I am not going to keep track of the reasons for any absences or decide which are and which are not valid. This includes religious observances, illness, etc.

Quite often, we will use clicker questions to measure class opinions or perspectives, or to monitor comprehension of various concepts. Other times, clicker questions will be used to assess whether or not you have completed reading assignments before class or have paid attention to discussions during class. Clicker questions that have correct and incorrect answers are accountability questions. I will let you know which kind of question I am asking, but you should be prepared for both kinds in each class session. To earn credit for the accountability questions, you must come to class prepared and actively work to process course information effectively.

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#### Discussion Board Participation

The course includes 14 graded discussion submissions, each worth 3 points. Overall, you may earn up to 30 points (9% of your grade) for participation in discussions. Although classified as a "discussion," the first discussion assignment actually involves introducing yourself to your classmates, and is automatically worth 3 points. The remaining discussions, one per chapter, all involve giving an example from your own observations or experiences that relates to a key concept from the chapter. *Please do not give a definition of the concept or copy an example from some other source—use a real-life example from your own observations or experiences.* You will generate an example of a concept, offer and explain your perspective on issues related to the application of the concept, and engage in meaningful discussion of your own and others' ideas about the concept.

You may participate in as many of the 14 discussion forums as you wish, earning up to 3 points for each, until you have your full 30 points.

**Reflection on an event that illustrates a chapter concept should contain these elements, in no less than 250 words, double-spaced and no more than one page in length.**

The instructions in eLearning will look like this:

Choose one of the major, specific concepts from the assigned chapter of your textbook, listed in the syllabus. Using that concept as the subject, create a thread for discussion of that concept. If someone else has already started a thread with that concept, join that one by clicking "reply." Give an example of the concept from your own observations or experience. Describe the example and explain how it illustrates the concept. You should use these learning strategies:

1. Elaboration: How does this concept relate to other concepts?
2. Distinctiveness: How is this concept different from other concepts?
3. Personal Relevance: How can I relate this information to my personal experience?
4. Appropriate Retrieval and Application: How can I use or apply this concept?

#### **Grading rubric:**

**0 points = no discussion example submitted or was submitted late, or does not meet minimal expectations (e.g., less than 250 words or equivalent of ½ double-spaced page in length, or contains grammatical and spelling errors)**

**1 point = discussion example submitted before deadline but contains definition of concept, example appears in textbook, or is superficial (i.e., lacks sufficient elaboration, examination of distinctiveness, personal relevance, or application)**

**3 points = discussion example submitted before deadline, key concept indicated clearly, with fully explained example**

The objective of these discussions is to develop meaningful understanding of key concepts.

Two important final notes:

1. You only need to contribute to the discussion once for your work to be considered for grading. You may submit multiple contributions to the discussion, however, as you use the discussions to develop your understanding of the concepts.
2. Please remember to save and submit your contributions to the discussions. If you click on the “save as draft” option your work will be saved for you to edit and submit later, but if you do not log back in and submit before the deadline, your draft will not be submitted automatically. Drafts do not appear in the grading queue.

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### **Optional: Independent Study Course Enrichment**

One of the most important skills you can develop as an undergraduate is your ability to write. However, many classes that students take are fairly large, and therefore do not often require in-depth writing projects. I would like to offer you an opportunity to develop your writing skills and your ability to develop a research question relevant to this course by gathering, evaluating, and integrating a body of research. You'll do this by signing up for one credit of Independent Study, PSY 4V99.015. Special permission is needed, so you will have to get a form from a BBS adviser and I will have to sign it.

To earn the Individual Study PSY 4199 credit, you will write an 8- to 10-page research paper on a topic that interests you in this course. You will have to agree to follow the step-by-step procedure that I have laid out. This is important because it means that different components of the project will be due on specified dates throughout the semester (because I cannot accept any papers completed in a rush at the end of the semester without the collaboration and feedback that are at the heart of this experience). You will work closely with me to select a topic, generate a list of at least 10 references (primary sources), develop an outline, and then write and revise 2-3 drafts of an 8-to 10-page literature review.

Because this is Independent Study credit, your grade for this project will have no bearing on your course grade. Be aware you will have to make a decision about whether or not you wish to take on this challenge right away. Check with your adviser or the Academic Calendar for the deadline for adding PSY 4199 to your course schedule. As with any course, you may withdraw, but all of the usual deadlines apply. Please see the academic calendar for the last day to drop without W and the last day to drop with WL.

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## Choose your subject line from this list for each chapter:

Please remember to discuss each concept *in the context of the chapter*—reading just the paragraph in which the concept appears will not provide sufficient foundation for your analysis.

<b>Chapters 1 &amp; 2:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construals</li> <li>• Fundamental attribution error</li> <li>• Conflict between the need for self-esteem and the need for accuracy/limits of social cognition</li> <li>• How the need for self-esteem leads to self-justification</li> <li>• Self-fulfilling prophecy</li> <li>• Hindsight bias</li> <li>• Research ethics</li> </ul>	<b>Chapter 3:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Automatic and controlled thinking</li> <li>• Automatic thinking and schemas</li> <li>• Accessibility and priming</li> <li>• Self-fulfilling prophecy</li> <li>• Availability heuristic</li> <li>• Representativeness heuristic</li> <li>• Anchoring and adjustment heuristic</li> <li>• Counterfactual thinking</li> <li>• Analytic and holistic styles of thinking</li> <li>• Ironical thought suppression</li> <li>• Overconfidence barrier</li> </ul>
<b>Chapter 4:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross-cultural differences in nonverbal communication</li> <li>• Display rules and emblems</li> <li>• Implicit personality theory</li> <li>• Internal and external attributions</li> <li>• Correspondence bias</li> <li>• Perceptual salience</li> <li>• Two-step process in making attributions</li> <li>• Actor/observer difference</li> <li>• Self-serving attributions</li> <li>• Defensive attributions: blaming the victim or belief in a just world</li> </ul>	<b>Chapter 5:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent and interdependent views of the self</li> <li>• Inadequacy of introspection</li> <li>• Self-awareness as aversive</li> <li>• Causal theories</li> <li>• Reasons-generated attitude change</li> <li>• Self-perception theory</li> <li>• Overjustification effect</li> <li>• Performance-contingent and task-contingent rewards and their effect on motivation</li> <li>• Two-factor theory of emotion</li> <li>• Misattribution of arousal</li> <li>• Fixed mindset and growth mindset</li> <li>• Social comparison theory, upward and downward social comparison</li> <li>• Social tuning</li> <li>• Impression management: ingratiation or self-handicapping</li> <li>• Self-control and self-regulatory resource model</li> </ul>
<b>Chapter 6:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive dissonance</li> <li>• Impact bias</li> <li>• Postdecision dissonance</li> <li>• Lowballing</li> <li>• Justification of effort</li> <li>• Internal and external justification</li> <li>• Hypocrisy induction</li> <li>• Insufficient punishment and self-persuasion</li> <li>• Ben Franklin effect</li> <li>• Hating our victims</li> </ul>	<b>Chapter 7:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consistency/inconsistency between components of attitudes (affect, behavior, cognition)</li> <li>• Classical and operant conditioning of attitudes</li> <li>• Explicit and implicit attitudes</li> <li>• Elaboration likelihood model: central and peripheral routes to persuasion</li> <li>• Need for cognition</li> <li>• Fear-arousing communication (conditions for effectiveness)</li> <li>• Heuristic-systematic model of persuasion</li> <li>• Attitude inoculation</li> <li>• Product placement</li> <li>• Reactance theory</li> <li>• Effectiveness of advertising</li> </ul>

<b>Chapter 8:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Informational and normative social influence</li> <li>• Private acceptance and public compliance</li> <li>• Social impact theory</li> <li>• Minority influence</li> <li>• Idiosyncrasy credits</li> <li>• Injunctive and descriptive norms</li> <li>• Obedience</li> </ul>	<b>Chapter 9:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group cohesiveness</li> <li>• Social facilitation</li> <li>• Social loafing</li> <li>• Deindividuation</li> <li>• Process loss and groupthink</li> <li>• Group polarization</li> <li>• Social dilemmas</li> </ul>
<b>Chapter 10:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proximity effect</li> <li>• Mere exposure effect</li> <li>• Functional distance</li> <li>• Similarity</li> <li>• Reciprocal liking</li> <li>• Assumptions about attractive people and self-fulfilling prophecy</li> <li>• Social exchange theory</li> <li>• Comparison level and comparison level for alternatives</li> <li>• Companionate and passionate love</li> <li>• Cultural differences in views of love</li> <li>• Evolutionary explanations of love</li> <li>• Attachment styles</li> </ul>	<b>Chapter 11:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prosocial behavior and altruism</li> <li>• Norm of reciprocity</li> <li>• Social exchange theory</li> <li>• Empathy-altruism hypothesis</li> <li>• Helping in-group versus out-group</li> <li>• Urban overload hypothesis</li> <li>• Pluralistic ignorance</li> <li>• Diffusion of responsibility</li> <li>• Negative state relief hypothesis</li> </ul>
<b>Chapter 13:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prejudice, discrimination, and stereotyping</li> <li>• Out-group homogeneity bias</li> <li>• In-group bias</li> <li>• Automatic and controlled processing of stereotypes</li> <li>• Justification-suppression model</li> <li>• Illusory correlation</li> <li>• Ultimate attribution error, attributional biases</li> <li>• Stereotype threat</li> <li>• Blaming the victim</li> <li>• Self-fulfilling prophecy</li> <li>• Realistic conflict theory vs Scapegoating</li> <li>• Institutional racism/sexism and modern racism</li> <li>• Hostile and benevolent sexism</li> <li>• Contact hypothesis</li> <li>• Jigsaw method and mutual interdependence</li> </ul>	<b>Chapter 12:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hostile and instrumental aggression</li> <li>• Frustration and aggression</li> <li>• Regionalism and aggression</li> <li>• Gender and aggression, domestic violence</li> <li>• Aggressive cues</li> <li>• Social learning theory and aggression</li> <li>• Violence in media</li> <li>• Aggression and punishment</li> <li>• Cognitive dissonance and aggression</li> <li>• Catharsis</li> <li>• Mass murders and social psychology</li> </ul>
<b>Pp. 433-440:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquisition, storage, and retrieval errors</li> <li>• Own-race bias</li> <li>• Reconstructive memory</li> <li>• Source monitoring error</li> </ul>	<b>pp. 415-429:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resilience &amp; social support</li> <li>• Stress and health</li> <li>• Coping with stress</li> <li>• Conditions affecting effectiveness of fear-arousing communication</li> <li>• Perceived control</li> <li>• Locus of control, internal versus external</li> <li>• Self-efficacy, high versus low</li> <li>• Learned helplessness and attributions</li> </ul>

## School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences Research Exposure Credit Requirement Summer 2016

### **DEADLINE FOR RESEARCH CREDITS: August 1, 2016**

*This requirement applies to all students (both majors and non-majors)*

This class is a behavioral science core class. You are required to earn two Research Exposure Credits for each behavioral science core course you are enrolled in for a maximum of six total credits each semester. **These requirements must be completed by the deadline or your course grade will be lowered.** For each credit you fail to complete, your course grade will be reduced by 1/3 of a letter grade (e.g., for 2 missing credits, a B+ will become a B-).

Students are encouraged to participate in research studies in order to receive credit. This is a great opportunity to explore the research process here in the School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences. If students cannot or chose not to participate in research studies, an alternative assignment is available to meet the research requirement.

#### **Research Participation**

You can take part in a research study as a participant in a research lab or online. Serving as a participant in a research study will demonstrate how psychology/behavioral science experiments are actually done, contribute to the scientific understanding of human thought and behavior, and offer the additional benefit of providing faculty and graduate students with participants for their research. Participants who choose this option typically report very positive experiences. In order to sign up to be a research participant (both in a lab or online), you must log in to the UT Dallas Sona System (<https://utdallas.sona-systems.com>). New users will be entered into the Sona System the first week of class. Refer to the back of this page for instructions on how to log in to the Sona System.

#### **Alternative Assignment – Research Review**

If you select this option, you will be required to read an empirical research article and write a two-page summary of the research article following the specified guidelines found on the BBS Information Center on eLearning which can be found under the —My Organizations” section. You will receive one credit for each research review summary with a maximum of two credits per class, per semester.

*Note: You may combine credits from both research participation and research reviews to satisfy the requirement.*

Questions about Research Exposure Credits should be directed to Lindsey Boeshans at [lindsey.boeshans@utdallas.edu](mailto:lindsey.boeshans@utdallas.edu) (GR 4.528 / 972-883-2360).

**NOTE: Due to software changes in the Sona system, you can no longer carry over credits or debits. Therefore, you must earn and use your research exposure credits during the current semester.**

Policy effective: August 20, 2015

## **HOW TO SIGN UP FOR A STUDY USING THE SONA SYSTEM**

- Go to the UT Dallas Sona Systems Website: <https://utdallas.sona-systems.com>.
- Enter your User ID and Sona password. This will not necessarily be the password you use to log in to UTD computers.
  - If you are a new user or do not remember your Sona password, click on the —Forgot Password?” button on the right side of the page and when prompted enter your NetID to have a new password sent to your UTD email address.
  - You should receive an email within an hour. Make sure to check your spam folder as many times emails from the Sona System are filtered.
- To view all available studies, click on —Studies” from the top toolbar.
- To view the available timeslots for a particular study, click on —Timeslots Available” next to the study of interest and then click on —View Time Slots for This Study” at the bottom of the page.
- Please read the study description to make sure that you qualify to participate in the study as some studies require specific participant characteristics.
- To sign up for a timeslot, click on —Sign Up” next to the time you want to participate and you will receive an e-mail confirmation.

For more details on completing the research exposure requirements, go to the BBS Information Center on eLearning which can be found under the —My Organizations” section.

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## **BBS COURSES WITH A RESEARCH EXPOSURE CREDIT REQUIREMENT**

This requirement applies to all students (both majors and non-majors) enrolled in the courses listed below:

- PSY 2301 – Introduction to Psychology
- PSY/CLDP 2314 – Lifespan Development
- PSY 2317 – Statistics for Psychology
- PSY/CLDP 3310 – Child Development
- PSY 3331 – Social Psychology
- PSY 3360 / CGS 3325 – Historical Perspectives
- PSY/CGS 3361 – Cognitive Psychology
- PSY 3392 – Research Design and Analysis
- PSY 4343 – Abnormal Psychology
- CGS 2301 – Cognitive Science

## PSY 3331.0u1 ♦ SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY ♦ Summer 2016

- The Graduate Teaching Assistant for this class will administer and score all exams, assist in grading written assignments, and in general facilitate your learning success.
- The Undergraduate Teaching Interns for this class will assist in proctoring exams, leading group study or tutoring sessions, and in general facilitate your learning success.
- Names and contact information for the GTA and the UGTI will be posted in eLearning. Use the “email” tool in eLearning and the Directory on the university’s main web page.

*It is your responsibility to keep track of your grades* so that you know where you stand at all times. Participation grades will be updated weekly, and in-class papers will be graded within a week of the day they were completed. Feel free to verify your grades with the TA or with me, at my office (not in class), any time until the last exam. I can help you more effectively if you check your grades in eLearning first, then come see me for any verification or clarification (or anything else).

\*\*\* Do not use eLearning to calculate your course grade! \*\*\*

You will notice that eLearning will show you a “total possible” that does not match reality. Ignore it. We can use eLearning only to record grades, but the calculations do not fit the way grades are actually calculated. Use the worksheet on this page and the chart in your syllabus under Grading Policy.

**Remember:** You will need to complete two **Research Exposure Credits** for each core course in which you are enrolled this semester.

You can record your grades here:

Exam 1	____/50
Exam 2	____/50
Exam 3	____/50
Exam 4	____/50
Final Exam	____/75
Discussion Board	____/30
Participation	____/30
<b>TOTAL</b>	____/335 (see chart under Grading Policy)

Discussion Board grades (up to 14 at 3 pts each with maximum 30 points):

Intro (extra credit)	____	Ch. 5	____	Ch. 8	____	Ch. 12	____
Ch. 1 or 2	____	Ch. 6	____	Ch. 9	____	Ch. 10	____
Ch. 3	____	SPA-2	____	SPA-3	____	Ch. 11	____
Ch. 4	____	Ch. 7	____	Ch. 13	____		

Accuracy in assigning and recording grades is of utmost importance. I encourage you to keep track of your grades and let me know when you would like for me to check over the grading of any exams or assignments within THREE WEEKS of when the grade was assigned. It



becomes much more difficult to verify your grades as time goes on, so please do not wait until the semester is over.