

Course Outline

PSYC3121

Social Psychology

School of Psychology

Faculty of Science

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2.2 Course aims

The aim of this course is to introduce new topics not covered in previous courses (PSYC1001, PSYC2061), and to develop skills to critically evaluat

2.4 Relationship between course and program learning outcomes and assessments

	Program Learning Outcomes						
CLO	1. Knowledge	2. Research Methods	3. Critical Thinking Skills	4. Values and Ethics	5. Communication, Interpersonal and Teamwork	6. Application	Assessment
1.	Lectures, tutorials, self-directed activities, readings, self-test quizzes, Discussion Forum						Participation, Group Presentation, Assignment, Final exam
2.		Lectures, tutorials, self-directed activities, readings, self-test quizzes, Discussion Forum					Participation, Group Presentation, Assignment, Final exam
3.			Lectures, tutorials, self-directed activities, readings, self-test quizzes, Discussion Forum				Participation, Group Presentation, Assignment, Final exam
4.				Lectures, tutorials, self-directed activities, readings, self-test quizzes, Discussion Forum			Participation, Group Presentation, Assignment
5.					Lectures, tutorials, online activities, readings, self- assessment quizzes, Discussion		Group presentation, Assignment, Final exam

			Forum		
6.				Lectures, tutorials, self-directed activities, readings, self-test quizzes, Discussion Forum	Participation, Group Presentation, Assignment, Final exam

3. Strategies and approaches to learning

Online Consultation: The Course Coordinator is available for online consultation to students, individually or as a group. Virtual consultations must be arranged at a mutually convenient time, an agenda or meeting topic must be provided with a minimum of 48 hours prior notice. Consultation with the course coordinator may address topics related to assessment, broad course structure, or matters of a personal nature. Lecturers and tutors are also available for online consultation, to be arranged via email, to address specific topics, and/or tutorial-related matters.

3.2 Expectations of students

All news updates and announcements will be made on the 'Announcements' forum on the Moodle page and/or by email. It is the student's responsibility to check Moodle and their student emails regularly to keep up to date.

Given that the course content and some assessable components (e.g., Tutor-Led Activities, Final Exam) are delivered online, it is the responsibility of the student to ensure that they have access to a computer with a stable internet connection and a browser capable of handling the features of the Moodle eLearning website and any of its content.

The Moodle discussion forum should be the first line of contact with the Course Coordinator (meeting

4. Course schedule and structure

Each week this course typically consists of 2 hours of lecture material, 2 hours of face to face tutorials, and 1 hour of online activities. Students are expected to take an additional 6 hours each week of self-determined study to complete assessments, readings, and exam preparation.

Week	Lecture topic/s				
Week 1	Lectures				
12/09/22	Course Introduction Williams				
	Nonverbal Communication Williams				
	Science of Positive Emotion Williams				
	Lecture Content Q&A Thursday 4-5pm				
	Williams				
	Self-directed activities				
	Laughter Activity				
	Tutor-led activities (during allocated tutorial times)				
	Think Tank I - Intro & Topics				
Week 2	Lectures				
19/09/22	Morality Williams				
	Loneliness Williams				
	Lecture Content Q&A Thursday 4-5pm				
	Williams				
	Self-directed activities				
	• N/A				
	Tutor-led activities (during allocated tutorial times)				

• Think Tank II - Social Psychology Research Essentials

Week 3

26/09/22

Denson

Self-directed activities

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Week 8	Lectures					
31/10/22	Hormones & Social Behaviour <i>Denson</i>					
	Social Neuroscience Harmon-Jones					
	Lecture Content Q&A Thursday 4-5pm					
	• Denson (1:00-1:30) & Harmon-Jones (1:30-2:00)					
	Self-directed activities					
	Self-test Quiz 3 (Denson lecture content)					
	Hormones Activity					
	Tutor-led activities (during allocated tutorial times)					
	Think Tank VI - Presentation Feedback & Writing Effectively					
Week 9	Lectures					
7/11/22	Cognitive Dissonance Harmon-Jones					
	Lecture Content Q&A					
	• N/A					
	Self-directed activities					
	Cognitive Dissonance Activity					
	Tutor-led activities (during allocated tutorial times)					
	Open Social Psychological Science and Revision					
	* DUE: Written Assessment - Think Tank Write-up: 5pm Friday 11 November					
Week 10	Lectures					
14/11/22	 Misinformation, Disinformation, and Conspiracy Theories Harmon-Jones 					
	Terror Management Theory Harmon-Jones					
	Lecture Content Q&A					
	• N/A					

	Self-directed activities
	Self-test Quiz 4 (Harmon-Jones lecture content)
	Cognitive Dissonance Activity
	Tutor-led activities (during allocated tutorial times)
	No tutor-led activities this week
Study period	Lecture Content Q&A Tuesday 4-5pm
21/11/22	Harmon-Jones
	* DUE: Self-directed Activities Participation
	Completion of self-directed activities (self-test quizzes, online activities) for the Participation component of assessment will be
	assessed at 5pm 25 November. Activities will remain open after this date, but completion after this time will not earn marks.
	Note, students are encouraged to engage in these activities during the weeks in which they are listed above.
Exam period	
25/11/22	

5. Assessment

5.1 Assessment tasks

All assessments in this course have been designed and implemented in accordance with UNSW Assessment Policy.

Assessment task	Length	Weight	Mark	Due date
Assessment 1: Participation	N/A	10%	/10	Weeks 1-10
Assessment 2: Think tank group presentation	15 mins	15%	/15	Week 7 Tutorials
Assessment 3: Think tank write-up	1500 words	35%	/100	Deadline: Week 9 Friday 11 Nov, 5:00pm Overdue Submission Deadline: Wednesday 16 Nov, 5:00pm Absolute Fail Deadline: 25 Nov, 9:00am
Assessment 4: Final exam	2 hours	40%	/100	Exam period

Assessment 1: This participation mark comprises completion of online self-directed activities (4 activities, 1.25% each), and completion of the self-test quizzes (4 quizzes, 1.25% each). Activities and quizzes will be available at the beginning of the week listed in the Course Schedule and will remain open for the duration of the course. Students can take each quiz and complete each activity as many times as they like. Functionally, participation is due

5.4. Feedback on assessment

Feedback on all pieces of assessment in this course will be provided in accordance with UNSW Assessment Policy.

Assessment	When	Who	Where	How
Participation	2 December	Course coordinator	Online	Moodle
Think tank group presentation	Week 8 tutorials	Tutor	Tutorials	Written & Verbal
Think tank write-up	25 November	Tutor	Online	Turnitin/Moodle