

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY - 830:321:02
FALL 2013

Class Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 5:00 – 6:20 PM

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Required text: Gilovitch, Keltner, Chen, & Nisbett (2013). **Social Psychology (3rd edition)**.
New York: W.W. Norton & Co.

Online Access E-book (\$52.08):

<http://books.wwnorton.com/books/detail.aspx?ID=4294971657>

Downloadable E-book (\$104.16):

<http://books.wwnorton.com/books/detail.aspx?ID=4294971658>

Course pre-requisite: PSYC 101 (General Psychology) or its equivalent

Course requirements: Three hourly examinations (60 questions each) and a comprehensive final exam (100 questions). The lowest of the 3 hourly exam scores will be dropped. **No makeup exams will be permitted** *unless* (1) I have been notified in advance of your absence by email or phone **and** (2) documentation (i.e., a note from an M.D. or confirmation of death in the family) is provided. Make-up examinations may be in written answer format. Special provisions can be made to take exams early (e.g., due to *documented* multiple exam conflicts).

All 3 hourly exams will be administered online via Sakai during the designated class period. The final exam (hard copy, Scantron-response) will be at a specific campus location to be determined.

Sakai-based “homework” (chapter quizzes that can be taken twice). Your best 10 scores will be used to determine the percentage of the remaining 80 points toward the course grade.

Therefore, your course grade is determined solely by:

Best 2 hourly exam scores (max. 120 pts.)	40%
Sakai homework quizzes (max. 80 pts.)	27%
Final exam (max. 100 pts.)	33%

THERE IS NO EXTRA CREDIT IN THIS COURSE!

Grading method: Your **total points** scored on your **2 best hourly exams, the final, and the Sakai homework quizzes** will determine your course grade in accordance with the following schedule:

270-300	A
255-269	B+
240-254	B
225-239	C+
210-244	C
195-209	D
Below 195	F

The total of your points on these exams is the sole determinant of your course grade. The cutoffs apply WITHOUT EXCEPTION!

Academic Integrity: Collusion (getting any form of assistance from other students or outside sources) on exams is prohibited. Students suspected of doing so will be brought up on charges before university's Office of Student Conduct, and penalties, up to and including expulsion, will be imposed for those found guilty. (See <http://policies.rutgers.edu/PDF/Section10/10.2.13-current.pdf> for specifics)

Academic Accommodations: Should you require academic accommodations, you must file a request with the Office of Disability Services ([Kreeger Learning Center](http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu) 151 College Avenue, Suite 123, <http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu>). It is your responsibility to self-identify with the Office of Disability Services and to provide me with the appropriate documentation from that office at least one week prior to any request for specific testing accommodations

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EXAM SCHEDULE AND CRITICAL DATES

Date	Event
9/3	First meeting of class
10/3	Exam 1 – Covers all reading assignments and lecture notes from 9/5 through 10/1
10/31	Exam 2 – Covers all reading assignments and lecture notes from 10/2 through 10/29
12/3	Exam 3 – Covers all reading assignments and lecture notes from 11/5 through 11/26
12/10	Last meeting of class
12/20 (Fri.) 8-11 AM	FINAL EXAM – COMPREHENSIVE. Covers all reading assignments and lecture notes from entire semester.

Note: Using Sakai for web-based course support

A more detailed class calendar (with reading assignments, etc.), all MS PowerPoint slides used in lectures, homework assignments (i.e., chapter quizzes), other learning support materials, important announcements, links to topically relevant websites, etc., will be available here. You get to the site by entering the address <https://sakai.rutgers.edu>, and logging in with your eden userid. The course should appear (as a tab near the top of the page) if you are on the roster - you just click on the tab for it and you are in. If you have many tabs (because you're a member of many Sakai sites) you may have to use the 'drop down' box (click on 'My Active Sites' tab) to see them all. Once you are in the site, click on 'Modules' to access the lecture slides. Files will be in MS PowerPoint format, so you need to use a computer that has PowerPoint on its hard drive in order to open or download them. All of the PCs in the labs on any RU campus are so equipped. You can also view a class calendar with specific text reading assignments by clicking on 'Schedule.'

LECTURE SCHEDULE

Sep 3, 2013 - First class session

Review of syllabus, course requirements, grading, class policies and procedures, available resources.

Sep 5, 2013 - Introduction to Social Psychology

Basic principles and recurrent themes in the discipline. Students should read Ch 1 in the text before or soon after this class session.

Sep 10, 2013 - Scientific Method in Social Psychology

Research methods - experimental vs. non-experimental. Internal vs. external validity, the use of inferential statistics, and basic principles of sound scientific research on human thought, feeling, and behavior. Students should read Ch 2 in text before or soon after this class session.

Sep 12, 2013 - Self in Social Context|

Students should begin reading Ch 3 in text before or soon after this class.

Sep 17, 2013 - Self in Social Context (cont'd)

Students should finish reading Ch 3 before or soon after this class.

Sep 19, 2013 - Self in Social Context (cont'd)

Students should finish reading Ch 3 before or soon after this session

Sep 24, 2013 - Social Cognition

Students should finish reading Ch 4 in text before or soon after this class session.

Sep 26, 2013 - Social Cognition (cont'd)

Students should finish reading Ch 4 before or soon after this class session

Oct 1, 2013 - Social Cognition (cont'd)

The basic "mechanics" of the social mind, and the research behind our understanding thereof. Students should finish reading Ch 4 before or soon after this class session.

Oct 3, 2013 - EXAM I

60 multiple-choice questions covering all text readings and lecture topics from 9-5 through 10-1 Chapters 1-4 in text. THIS WILL BE AN ONLINE EXAM TAKEN THROUGH SAKAI. THE EXAM WILL BE AVAILABLE BEGINNING 5PM. YOU WILL HAVE ONLY 60 MINUTES TO COMPLETE THE EXAM; IT WILL CLOSE AT 6:20 REGARDLESS OF WHEN YOU BEGIN, SO IF YOU WANT THE FULL 60 MIN. BE SURE TO BEGIN NO LATER THAN 5:20. The exam can be taken anywhere you have wireless access (or an RU-networked computer). Do not come to the lecture hall.

Oct 8, 2013 - Social Perception

How we form impressions of and make inferences about others - their intentions, motives, character, traits, etc. Students should begin reading Ch 5 before or soon after this class session.

Oct 10, 2013 - Social Perception (con't)

Students should finish reading Ch 5 in text before or soon after this class session.

Oct 15, 2013 - Emotion in Social Context

Students should read Ch 6 before or soon after this lecture.

Oct 17, 2013 - Attitudes, Behavior, and Rationalization

Students should begin reading Ch 7 before or soon after this class.

Oct 22, 2013 - Attitudes, Behavior, and Rationalization (cont'd)

Students should finish reading Ch 7 before or soon after this class

Oct 24, 2013 - Persuasion

Students should begin reading Ch 8 in the text before or soon after this class.

Oct 29, 2013 - Persuasion (cont'd)

Students should finish reading Ch 8 before or soon after this class.

Oct 31, 2013 - EXAM II

60 multiple-choice questions covering all text readings and lecture topics from 10-8 through 10-29 Chapters 5-8 in text. THIS WILL BE AN ONLINE EXAM TAKEN THROUGH SAKAI. THE EXAM WILL BE AVAILABLE BEGINNING 5PM. YOU WILL HAVE ONLY 60 MINUTES TO COMPLETE THE EXAM; IT WILL CLOSE AT 6:20 REGARDLESS OF WHEN YOU BEGIN, SO IF YOU WANT THE FULL 60 MIN. BE SURE TO BEGIN NO LATER THAN 5:20. The exam can be taken anywhere you have wireless access (or an RU-networked computer). Do not come to the lecture hall.

**Nov 5, 2013 - Social Influence - Conformity and Compliance
Groups and Related Phenomena**

Students should begin reading Ch 9 before or soon after this class.
Begin reading Ch 12 before or soon after this class session

**Nov 7, 2013 - Groups and Related Phenomena (cont'd)
Social Influence - Conformity and Compliance (con'td)**

Students should finish reading Ch 9 before or soon after this class.
Finish reading Ch 12 before or soon after this class session

Nov 12, 2013 - Stereotyping, prejudice, and discrimination

Begin reading Ch 11 before or soon after this lecture

Nov 14, 2013 - Stereotyping, prejudice, and discrimination (cont'd)

Finish reading Ch 11 before or soon after this class session.

Nov 19, 2013 - Aggression

Begin reading Ch 13 before or soon after this class session

Nov 21, 2013 - Aggression (con't)

Finish reading Ch 13 before or soon after this class session.

Nov 26, 2013 - Altruism and Pro-social Behavior

Read Ch 14 before or soon after this class session.

Dec 3, 2013 - EXAM 3

60 multiple-choice questions covering all text readings and lecture topics from 9-5 through 10-1 Chapters 11-14 in text. THIS WILL BE AN ONLINE EXAM TAKEN THROUGH SAKAI. THE EXAM WILL BE AVAILABLE BEGINNING 5PM. YOU WILL HAVE ONLY 60 MINUTES TO COMPLETE THE EXAM; IT WILL CLOSE AT 6:20 REGARDLESS OF WHEN YOU BEGIN, SO IF YOU WANT THE FULL 60 MIN. BE SURE TO BEGIN NO LATER THAN 5:20. The exam can be taken anywhere you have wireless access (or an RU-networked computer). Do not come to the lecture hall.

Dec 5, 2013 - Social Psychology and the Law

Begin reading Application Module 4 in the text (pp. 602-621) before or soon after this class session.

Dec 10, 2013 - Social Psychology and the Law (cont'd)

Finish reading Application Module 4 in text before or soon after this lecture.

12/20 (Fri.) 8-11 AM FINAL EXAM – COMPREHENSIVE. Covers all reading assignments and lecture notes from entire semester.