RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY - 830:321:04
SPRING 2021

Class Hours: Monday and Wednesday 2:50 – 4:10 PM (exam times only; see below)
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Recommended text:

Aronson, E., Wilson, T., & Akert, R. (2012). **Social Psychology (10th edition)**. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Education. Access code for an ebook version of the text at a reduced price is available directly from the publisher's website (www.pearsonhighered.com/revel) for something like $75. With respect to the actual text, either the hardbound or the ebook is fine. Previous text editions are OK as well. THE BOOK IS NOT REQUIRED, BUT RECOMMENDED.

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

Course requirements: Three hourly examinations (50 items each) and a comprehensive final exam (100 questions). ***You MUST take all 3 hourly exams and the final***. 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 reason 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, NCAA travel, etc.). Exams will be administered via the course Sakai site per the attached class calendar. They will be available ONLY during the designated lecture period 2:50 – 4:10 PM. If those days/hours do not work for you, you should enroll in a different section.

Lecture slides will be available on the Sakai site (in the Resources folder). Video/Audio of the lectures will be in the Media Gallery on the course Sakai site. I strongly suggest that you view these recorded lectures in sync with the actual schedule (see the Calendar on the course Sakai site) or on a timetable very close to that. That is the most effective way to master and remember new material – the research findings on learning and memory demonstrate that quite unequivocally.

Office Hours: (virtual) These will be individually scheduled "appointments" carried out via Zoom. Email me for an appointment. They will be held on Wednesdays from 9 – 12 and 1 – 3. When the appointment is made I will schedule a Zoom session and email you the link. You should have questions prepared as these will be limited to 30 min.

Grading method: Your **total points** scored on your ***2 best hourly exams*** (2 pts. for each correct answer) and ***the final*** (1 pt. for each correct answer) will determine your course grade in accordance with the following schedule:

270-300	A
255-269	B+
240-254	B
225-239	C+
210-224	C
195-209	D
Below 195	F

The total of your points is the sole determinant of your course grade. The cutoffs apply WITHOUT EXCEPTION! THERE IS NO OTHER FACTOR THAT WILL AFFECT YOUR COURSE GRADE.

Academic Integrity: Collusion (getting any form of assistance from other students or outside sources – notes, websites, text, etc.) on examinations 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 from the university, will be imposed for those found guilty. (See http://policies.rutgers.edu/PDF/Section10/10.2.13-current.pdf for specifics). A document from the Office of Academic Integrity is included in the Resources folder on the course Sakai site.

Academic Accommodations: Should you require academic accommodations, you must file a request with the Office of Disability Services (ods.rutgers.edu, 848-202-3111, email: dsoffice@echo.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
1/20	First meeting of class
2/15	**Exam 1** – Covers all lecture topics **from 1/25 thru 2/10**
3/10	**Exam 2 –** Covers all lecture topics **from 2/17 thru 3/8**
4/12	**Exam 3 –** Covers all lecture topics **from 3/22 thru 4/7**
4/28	Last lecture
TBA	**FINAL EXAM –**.

Note: Using Sakai for web-based course support

A more detailed class calendar (with reading assignments, etc.), all MS PowerPoint slides used in lectures, exams and practice quizzes, important announcements, links to topically relevant websites, AND ALL RECORDED LECTURES will be available here. You get to the site by entering the address **https://sakai.rutgers.edu**, and logging in with your RU netid. 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 'Resources' to access the lecture slides, and on "Media Gallery" for recorded lectures. Lecture slides 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. As mentioned before, videos accompanying the slides will be accessible in the "Media Gallery" in Sakai. You can also view a class calendar with specific text reading assignments by clicking on 'Calendar' on the Sakai course homepage.