

Abnormal Psychology—Professor Robert Woolfolk Text references are to Essentials of Abnormal Psychology, Durant and Barlow, 6<sup>th</sup> edition

MeetingTime: TF3, Tuesday and Friday, 12:35–1:55 pm. Place: Food Science Building Auditorium, Douglass/Cook Campus Instructor: Professor Robert Woolfolk, Ph.D.

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9/3 Introduction to the Course

9/6 Rosh Hashanan

9/10 Defining Abnormality: What is a Mental Disorder? Chapter 1

9/13 Methods and Models

9/17 History of Psychopathology Chapter 1

9/20 Models of Pathology Chapter 2

9/24 Methods Chapter 3

9/27 Psychometrics and Assessment

10/1 Exam

10/4 Anxiety Chapter 4

10/8 Anxiety

10/11 Somataform Disorders Chapter 6

10/15 Eid al-Adha

10/18 Sexual Disorders Chapter 9 Relational Problems

10/22 Exam

10/25 Mood Disorders Chapter 6

10/29 Mood Disorders  
11/1 Psychosis Chapter 12  
11/5 Eating Disorders Chapter 8  
11/8 EXAM  
11/12 Exam  
11/15 Cognitive Disorders Chapter 13  
11/19 Class  
11/22 Substance Abuse Chapter 10  
11/27 Psychopharmacology  
11/29 Thanksgiving No Class  
12/3 Personality Disorders Chapter 11  
12/6 Legal and Ethical Issues Chapter 14  
12/10 Exam

Grading: There will be four, non-cumulative exams. The exams will cover lecture and the textbook. The lectures are not intended to explain material in the text, but rather to provide material that is not covered in the text. Therefore, there will be material on the exams that is not in the text. Absences from class will cause you to miss information that will appear on the exams.

Exams will consist of multiple choice and true-false items. Grading will be on a normative basis (curve). After each exam I will add your exam scores and produce a cumulative total. That score will be curved and a grade assigned to it, so you will know after each exam where you stand in the course.

If you miss an exam for any reason, illegitimate or legitimate, you may make it up by writing a 10-page paper on a topic from the material covered on the exam. You must receive permission from me to write the paper. The topic to be approved by me. Note that this is the ONLY way to make up an exam. Also, you do not need an excuse. I reserve the right to limit the number of make-ups allowed for each student.