# Psychology 375 (A01) Interpersonal Relations CRN: 12859 Session: Fall 2021

# **Class Time and Location**

Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 2:30 to 3:20 pm. Location: BWC B150

Professor

Respect for Diversity: It is my intent that students from all diverse backgrounds and perspectives are well-served by this course, that students' learning needs be addressed both in and out of class, and that the diversity that students bring to this class be viewed as a resource, strength and benefit. It is my intent to present materials and activities that are respectful of gender, sexuality, disability, age, socio-economic status, ethnicity, race, and cultural diversities. Your suggestions are encouraged and appreciated. Please let me know ways to improve the effectiveness of the course for you personally or for other students or student groups.

**Be Well:** I want to remind you to take care of yourself. Do your best to maintain a healthy lifestyle this semester by eating well, exercising, getting enough sleep and taking some time to relax. This will help you achieve your goals and cope with stress. All of us benefit from support during times of struggle. You are not alone.

**Counselling Services:** Counselling Services can help you make the most of your university experience. They offer free professional, confidential, inclusive support to currently registered UVic students. <a href="https://www.uvic.ca/services/counselling/">www.uvic.ca/services/counselling/</a>

**Health Services:** University Health Services (UHS) provides a full service primary health clinic for students, and coordinates healthy student and campus initiatives. <a href="www.uvic.ca/services/health/">www.uvic.ca/services/health/</a>

**Centre for Accessible Learning:** 

PowerPoint slides, additional readings, supplemental readings, and grades, along with other information on Brightspace.

#### Grades

I will give you both a percentile grade and a corresponding letter grade (See the UVic Calendar for details). I will base your final letter grade in the course on your total score (rounded to a whole number). I cannot arbitrarily increase your grade at the end of the term just because it is close to a cut-off, nor will I help you mine for marks in previously graded material. Because of the size of the class, the number of assignments, all deadlines and the grades submitted for exams, papers and assignments are final. Please strive to do your best for each scheduled "event". If you are disappointed with a grade, please arrange to meet with me to review the marking at the time the material is graded, not at the end of the term when the final grade is awarded, and you discover you missed a cut-off. I expect you to familiarize yourself with the Important Course Policy Information (see attached). Please note that I reserve the right to remark any material and assign a new grade if I deem that the previous grade is not an accurate evaluation of your performance.

A+ 90 & up	B+ 77 & up	C+ 65 & up	F < 50.0
A 85 & up	B 73 & up	C 60 & up	N = incomplete
A- 80 & up	B- 70 & up	D 50 & up	_

## **Course Work & Evaluations**

## Part A. Minimum Requirements

### **Examinations**

Four examinations will account for 94% of your final grade. All exams will be conducted online via Brightspace with a 40-minute time limit. Each exam will have two sections. One section will have approximately 25 multiple-choice questions, and one section will have one long-answer question. The long-answer section will account for 50% of the test mark, and the MC section will account for the other 50%. You will be given all the long-answer questions in advance (there are six in each section), and we can discuss them only in class. I will randomly select one of the six for the exam. If you miss an exam, in **the event of illness, accident or family affliction** (See the UVic Calendar, 2021-22), you must speak with me person within 10 days after you missed the exam. We will discuss moving forward. Then email me a memo outlining the decision we reached regarding moving forward. If you follow this procedure, then I will allow you to write a make-up exam or give you an average based on the other exams you write. If you do not follow this procedure, I may award you a 0 for the missed exam. **That is, I do not automatically allow students to write a make-up exam or take an average based on the three other exams and may award a "0" for that component of the course.** If you require additional time to complete the course requirements you may apply for academic concession within 10 working days from the end of the course.

Tentative dates for the exams: There will be no classes on exam days. On Brightspace.

Test 1: You have 40 minutes: You can take it between Sept 29 2:30 pm & Sept 30 2:30 pm

Test 2: You have 40 minutes: You can take it between Oct 21 2:30 pm & Oct 22 2:30 pm

Test 3: You have 40 minutes: You can take it between Nov 17 2:30 pm & Nov 18 2:30 pm

Test 4: TBA, check on Brightspace (still will have a 24-hour window and 40 minutes to write)

**Participation in Activities:** Class time will be set aside for class activities (see your tentative timetable below). Participation in these activities will account for 6% of your final grade. Students will post in PDF on Brightspace the necessary material they will have to complete before each activity, which in total will account for 4 marks (1 mark for each activity). Attendance will be recorded by signing a sign-up sheet. Each

regarding each activity will be posted on Brightspace. There will be no make-up marks or assignments for late or missed activity submissions or attendance, regardless of the reason.

# Photograph Bonus (total = 0.5 marks)

You will receive ½ a bonus mark if you submit onto Brightspace' assignment "Photo Bonus" a recent digital or scanned photograph of yourself (head and shoulders – with glasses if you wear them, but no sunglasses or hat – I would like to be able to see your eyes) in jpg format. Please **do not** embed your photo in a document. Your photos are due *before the first test* 

receive for any optional assignment cannot lower your final grade. That is, if the mark on a submitted optional assignment is lower than the average of all four of your exams, then the optional assignment mark will not be applied to your final grade. If your optional assignment mark is higher than the average of all four of your exams, then your optional assignment mark will be applied to your final grade and your test marks will be weighted less. You may choose to present on a particular topic that is covered in any section (either on your own or with up to four other people), submit a digital poster online (either on your own or with up to four other people), submit a paper (either on your own or with up to four other people), take an oral test on two assigned research articles (only on your own), undertake an experiential project (only on your own), write four peerreviewed research article summaries (either on your own or with up to four other people), create a five-minute digital presentation, do the Pop Quizzes, or design your own assignment. I will need to be contacted if you wish to give a presentation, take an oral test on two assigned articles, or design your own assignment; otherwise, there is no need to contact me. What you submit will dictate your final total. How you choose to work in a group is up to your group (e.g., how you divide up tasks and responsibilities). You may submit two or more different assignments from option one to nine, but only one of each, that is, you cannot submit two similar assignments. For example, you cannot submit two posters or two papers, but you may do the Pop Quizzes, submit a poster, and a paper, or a poster, a presentation, and a paper, and so on. Names of all the group members must be on any group submission for members to receive a grade. Names will not be added to an assignment after the submission deadline. For every optional assignment you pass I will apply a SONA or Student Life credit you earned toward your final grade (see below).

**Option 1. Digital Posters**. You may elect to submit a digital poster, either on your own or with up to four other students (a maximum of five in the group). You may pick any topic covered in class. You do not need to run the topic by me. The digital poster must be saved in PDF file format on one page and posted on Brightspace' Assignment before the last class. I will not accept posters that are improperly saved or late, on more than one page, and from groups larger than five. **More information regarding specific requirements for the poster is on Brightspace in the document "Guidelines for Digital Posters".** Total marks = 16.

**Option 2. Class Presentations.** You may give a 10-minute lecture on any topic covered within the section of the course in which the presentation is to be given. You may present on your own, or with up to four other students (a maximum of five in the group). You must meet with me during office hours if you wish to present because we will need to coordinate with the topic and time. You must present on topics I have not yet covered in class. **More information regarding specific requirements for class presentations is posted on Brightspace in the document "Guidelines for Class Presentations".** Total marks = 16.

Option 3. Paper. You may elect to write a paper, either on your own or with up to four other students (a maximum of five in the group). More information regarding specific requirements for the paper is posted on Brightspace in the document "Guidelines for Writing an Optional Assignment Paper". Please note that the paper submitted for this component of the course, or any part of that paper (e.g., sources) cannot be used for any other component of the course. The requirements for this paper are the same as the requirements for test-

**Option 6. Optional Article Summaries.** You may elect to submit an article summary on your own or with up to four other students (a maximum of five in the group). One summary will be due before each exam in each section (check Brightspace for the deadlines). Summary four will be due before the last class. You must submit and pass all four summaries to qualify for this option. The summary must be on a peer-reviewed primary research report about a topic covered in that section of material. You cannot use any article that was used in any other assignment for this course or any other course (to do so is academic plagiarism). More information regarding this assignment can be found on Brightspace in the document "Guidelines for Optional Article Summaries." Total Marks = 16.

**Option 7. Digital Presentation:** You may put together a 5-minute digital presentation (video) that must be saved in a movie format (e.g., "mov" or "mpeg," "avi", etc), and uploaded to the assignment drop-box "Digital Preserop

• If you wish to select this option, you must notify me				

The more students complete the survey, the more meaningful and informative the results. Please ensure that your current email address is listed on MyPage (<a href="http://uvic.ca/mypage">http://uvic.ca/mypage</a>). When the course is 5/6 over, an email will be sent inviting you to complete the CES online. I will set aside approximately 10 minutes at the beginning of the last class of the term for students to complete the CES. We will do the CES in class because doing so increases the percentage of students who complete the survey compared to when students are asked to complete it on their own time. You will need your UVic NetLink ID to access the survey via a laptop, tablet, or mobile device; if you do not own such a device then please try to borrow one for that class session. If you do not complete the CES during that class, you can complete it at a time of your choosing during the last two weeks of classes.

# 375 A01: Tentative schedule 2:30 to 3:20 Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Sept 8 Introductions – review outline, ask for student helpers

Sept 9 & 13 Chapter 3 (Attraction) Sept 15 & 16 Chapter 4 (Social Cognition)

Sept 19 Sunday Test 1 replacement paper due by 2:30 pm on Brightspace

Sept 20 & 22 Chapter 5 (Communication)

Sept 21 Last day to drop without financial penalty

Sept 23 Activity 1

Sept 24 B pe 2 L Se(Oc-0.004 Tc 0.003 Tw [d)10T2d())Tt10 Tc 0 Tw ( )T 00Td( )Tj1( )Tj0.00[Mpt)-

# UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA Department of Psychology

## Important Course Policy Information Fall 2021

## **Prerequisites**

Students who remain in courses for which they do not have the prerequisites do so at their own risk. Students who complete courses without prerequisites ARE NOT exempt from having to complete the prerequisite course(s) if such courses are required for the degree program.

### **Program Requirements**

For more information see the UVic Calendar September 2021.

#### Registration Status

Students are responsible for verifying their registration status. Registration status may be verified using My Page, View Schedule. Course adds and drops will not be processed after the deadlines set out in the current UVic Calendar.

#### Commitment to Inclusivity and Diversity

The University of Victoria is committed to promoting, providing and protecting a positive and supportive and safe learning and working environment for all its members.

## In the Event of Illness, Accident or Family Affliction

#### What to do if you miss the final exam scheduled during the formal exam period

Apply at Records Services for a "Request for Academic Concession", normally within 10 working days of the date of the exam. Records Services will forward the form to the instructor. If the concession is granted, the instructor will determine how to deal with the situation (for example, a deferred exam). Where a concession is not applied for or where such application is denied, an N grade will be entered on the student's academic record.

OR, you can download the Request for Academic Concession form here: http://www.uvic.ca/registrar/assets/docs/record-forms/rac.pdf

## What to do if you miss an exam other than one scheduled during the formal exam period

Do <u>not</u> apply at Records Services for a "Request for Academic Concession". Instead submit documentation of the illness, accident or family affliction directly to your course instructor (or designated teaching assistant).

#### What to do if you require additional time to complete course requirements

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# Policy on Academic Integrity including Plagiarism and Cheating

The Department of Psychology fully endorses and intends to enforce rigorously the Senate Policy on Academic integrity <a href="https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/future/undergrad/#/policy/Sk\_0xsM\_V?bc=true&bcCurrent=08%20-%20Policy%20on%20Academic%20Integrity&bcGroup=Undergraduate%20Academic%20Regulations&bcItemType=policies.">https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/future/undergrad/#/policy/Sk\_0xsM\_V?bc=true&bcCurrent=08%20-%20Policy%20on%20Academic%20Integrity&bcGroup=Undergraduate%20Academic%20Regulations&bcItemType=policies.</a> It is of utmost importance that students who do their work honestly be protected from those who do not. Because this policy is in place to ensure that students carry out and benefit from the learning activities assigned in each course, it is expected that students will cooperate in its implementation.

The offences defined by the policy can be summarized briefly as follows: