

# Huron Brief Course Outlines

Fall/Winter 2023-2024

**Course Title:** Basic and Selected Problems in Social Psychology

**Course Number and Section**

PSYCHOLOGY

2780E - 550

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## Course Description:

This course focuses on the behaviour of individuals in a social context and is one of our core courses in psychology. A research-oriented course, it treats the problems of social psychology in terms of theory, research and methodology. Topics covered will include interpersonal attraction, social perception, pro-social and antisocial behaviour, the development and changing of social attitudes, and the structure and functioning of small task groups.

## Learning Outcomes:

- Identify major concepts, topics and theories in Social Psychology.
- Be knowledgeable about methodological and theoretical issues important to the study of Social Psychology.
- Think critically about various research paradigms used in social psychological research.
- Find, read, and evaluate scientific articles in social psychology.
- Formulate research questions and testable hypotheses in social psychological research.
- Select an appropriate methodology to test a research question, execute the study, and produce a written report of the work.
- Write an APA-format research paper (literature review, methodology, results, discussion, and references).
- Reflect on the application of social psychological research and how it might be used to solve real-world problems and understand everyday life experiences.

## Textbooks and Course Materials:

Myers, D. G., Twenge, J. M., Jordan, C. H., & Smith, S. M. (2021). Social Psychology (8th Canadian Edition). McGraw-Hill.

## Methods of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Test 1	Oct 10, 2023 during class time	10

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Test 2	TBA, during December exam period	15
Test 3	Feb 13, 2024 during class time	10
Test 4	TBA, during April exam period	15
Reflection Paper #1	Fall Term (no later than Dec 8, 2023)	5
Reflection Paper #2	Winter Term (no later than Apr 8, 2024)	5
Ethics Application for Group Project	Dec 8, 2023	5
Research Report	April 4, 2024	25
Participation	See OWL	10

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