

WEBSITE TEMPLATE

Course	PSYC 2100 A/T: <i>Introduction to Social Psychology</i>
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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTORS STATEMENT

This lecture is an introduction to contemporary theory and research in social psychology. We will explore how social situations (this can be a group of people, an entire social or cultural context or just one single other person) may influence people's thoughts, feelings, and behaviours. Topics include Social cognition (How do different situations affect our thoughts?), Self-knowledge (How accurate is it? Why is it important?), Persuasion (How are attitudes changed?), Interpersonal attraction (What determines a first impression?), Close Relationships, Prejudice, Aggression, Prosocial Behavior, and much more.

This course aims to provide you with an overview over the many different topics of social psychology, but also to teach you about the methodology and principles of social psychology research. This course offers a foundation of social psychology for later in-depth seminar courses and a toolkit of examples for your own future research if you plan to complete a thesis or other empirical research project in the field of social psychology.

EVALUATION

Midterm 1: 25% (multiple choice and short answer)

Midterm 2: 25% (multiple choice & short answer)

Final Exam: 50% (multiple choice)

Bonus assignment: 5%

TEXT

The text book for this class is Baumeister & Bushman: *Social Psychology and Human Nature* (Nelson), 4th Edition. The 3rd Edition of this textbook is also acceptable.

The loose leaf version of this textbook (4th Edition) costs \$160 at the Carleton Bookstore. In addition, the bookstore has rental, used and price match options for both the 4th and 3rd editions.

Please also note that the MacOdrum library has several copies of this textbook on reserve (that is, you can't sign it out of the library but can read it there).