

COURSE NAME AND CODE

Course	PSYC 4909/4910 E Honours Project in Psychology
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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

The Honours Project is a scheduled class during which students participate in a variety of learning activities designed to demonstrate and refine the skills that they have acquired throughout the undergraduate program in Psychology. Students will choose an area of psychological research that is of personal interest and explore that area throughout all assignments. Students will work closely with each other via writing groups, peer-editing exercises, and other elements consistent with a supportive learning community in order to enhance their writing, critical reading, presentation, and other vital skills.

The Fall term will focus on developing subject matter expertise and honing academic reading and writing skills culminating in an argumentative essay. The Winter term will focus on communicating the subject matter in a variety of formats to develop professional skills in preparation for your transition to the workplace.

Both terms will involve a combination of synchronous and asynchronous learning. Specifically, in the Fall term, scheduled class time will involve some on-line meetings for instructions and discussions. Most lecture and other course components will be recorded for you to watch asynchronously. The Winter term will involve more active assignments. Oral presentations will be a combination of pre-recorded segments as well as online sessions.

EVALUATION

In the Fall semester, you will complete a variety of short written assignments leading to a larger argumentative essay on a topic of your choice.

In the Winter, you will work on knowledge translation by writing a short briefing note, developing and presenting an online workshop, and creating and presenting a poster.

Approximately 50% of the final grade is allocated to each term. There is no final exam.

TEXT

The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 7th edition.

Students will also be expected to find and read a lot of articles from Psychology journals for their projects. Additional readings and on-line videos may be assigned throughout the course.