

WEBSITE TEMPLATE

Course	The Mask of Sanity: Understanding Psychopathy (4400B)
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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTORS STATEMENT

If you always wanted to know more about psychopaths – this seminar is for you. This seminar will focus on the assessment, empirical, and theoretical research on psychopathy. The first part of the seminar will focus on the assessment of psychopathy, the link between psychopathy, violence, reoffending, and treatment. Additional areas of focus will be psychopathy in youth, cognitive and affective processing deficits, corporate psychopaths and survivors of psychopaths. You will have opportunity to examine a specific psychopathy area in detail by writing a literature review on this topic and doing a short presentation.

This is a seminar in which we learn by reading research, developing questions, discussing, writing, revising and shaping ideas. This is a seminar course and students are expected to actively participate in the class through reading and discussion. Course content may need to be modified depending on the number of students in the course. The course will have both online components and synchronous seminar meetings during scheduled class time.

EVALUATION

Participation grades, online quizzes, assessment of psychopathy assignment, oral presentations, written literature review

TEXT

Hare, R. D. (1993). *Without conscience: The disturbing world of the psychopath among us*. New York: Guilford.

An additional true crime biography will be used for the psychopathy assessment assignment.