

PSYC 3300 A: HEALTH (HONOURS SEMINAR)

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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This course is designed to prepare students to complete an honours thesis in psychology. The focus is on developing skills and knowledge in research methods, writing, and statistics. Activities include reading and assessing the appropriate literature, developing research questions, designing studies and experiments, conducting data analyses, and producing APA style reports and research papers. Research ethics and graduate studies are also addressed.

Although this course will provide general research skills that facilitate honours thesis completion across all areas of psychology, it also provides the opportunity for an in-depth study of health psychology. A variety of health psychology areas of research will be focused on such as how relationships, work, environmental issues and stress are associated with health. Time will be spent on learning about educational and career opportunities and may involve research on psychology graduate programs and presentations from current honours and graduate students.

This 3-hour seminar component of this course will involve in-person class meetings that include class discussions, presentations and other interactive activities. The 3-hour lab component of this course will involve in-person activities (run by the course TA) that focus primarily on research methods, writing and statistical issues.

EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Evaluation in this course will be based on participation, presentations, written assignments, and a research project.

TEXT

Students will be provided with a reading list, and will be expected to find and read many articles from Psychology (and related) journals. Additional readings may be assigned throughout the course. Students should refer to The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 7th edition for formatting their assignments.