

## PSYC 3403 B : ADDICTION

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This lecture-format course is designed to introduce students to the field of substance use and addiction with particular emphasis on the use of alcohol and other drugs. Topics include contemporary psychological theory and research perspectives on substance use and addiction, prevalence of substance use in society, assessment and diagnosis of substance use disorders, drug classes and effects of drugs, the continuum of care for treating substance use disorders, pre-natal exposure to chemicals and FASD, and drug-impaired driving, all with a focus on college/university students. In addition to providing an overview of the field, this course aims to build an appreciation of the complexities associated with the serious social, mental health, and public health challenges surrounding substance use disorders. Prerequisites: [PSYC 1001](#), PSYC 1002 and one of PSYC 2301, PSYC 2307, or PSYC 2400.

### EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Midterm exam (45%) and Final exam (55%).

### TEXT

Doweiko, Harold E. (2024). Concepts of Chemical Dependency, 11<sup>th</sup> edition. United States: CENGAGE. ISBN-13: 978-0-357-76449-7