

PSYC 4100 A : INTERGENERATIONAL TRAUMA

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Course Delivery	Online combined synchronous/asynchronous
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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This course examines the phenomenon of intergenerational trauma, whereby the impacts of trauma are passed down from generation to generation to affect not only trauma survivors, but also their descendants (i.e., children, grandchildren and beyond). In this context, students will advance their understanding of the adverse impacts of intergenerational trauma on mental and physical health, family functioning, and sociocultural norms through the generations – long after the original traumatic event has passed. Theoretical mechanisms, which help to explain why the impacts of trauma are passed down from generation to generation, along with current research methods in the field, will also be explored. This seminar course will take place in a virtual classroom environment, where the instructor and students will meet with links provided through the course management page on Brightspace. The class meeting times will focus on outside readings from journal articles, with the expectation that students will come prepared to discuss and critique these weekly readings. This course is 'online combined,' which means it will have both synchronous and asynchronous classes, meant to provide more flexibility to students. Lastly, specific synchronous and asynchronous class dates will be noted in the course outline.

EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Course evaluation will consist of thought papers, written assignments, and class participation. There are no exams in this course.

TEXT

No textbook is required for this course. Other readings (i.e., journal articles) TBD.