

PSYC 4700 A : ADVANCED TOPICS IN COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY

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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This 4th-year Advanced Topics course will focus on “Judgment and Decision-Making” (JDM). JDM is an area of study that could indeed be regarded as one that cuts across all other domains of Psychology. From deciding whether to move to Finland to deciding which cookie to eat next, people spend much of their days making decisions. Accordingly, a very rich background of classic psychological research has been dedicated to issues such as how people make decisions, what is the best way to make decisions, and how people tend to think about and deal with uncertainty and risk. You will come away from this course with intimate knowledge of that rich background.

The course (in person Mon. 11:30 – 2:30) will be seminar-based with weekly discussions based on weekly chapter readings from the text listed below (along with 1-2 related journal article readings that will be made available on-line).

EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

I anticipate that marks will be based on:

1. Submitting written answers each week to a few questions based on the weekly chapter readings.
2. Being responsible for presenting one (or part of one) of the chapters to the class and leading the discussion of that chapter material.
3. Writing a term paper related to one of the topics covered.

TEXT

Judgment and Decision-Making: Psychological Perspectives

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