

PSYC 5407 F - SCALE DEVELOPMENT AND PSYCHOMETRICS

Course	PSYC 5407 F: Scale Development and Psychometrics
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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

The objective of this course will be to provide students with an in-depth understanding of scale development and psychometrics with respect to both the classical and the more modern approaches. The course will involve both applied and some theoretical/mathematical aspects. Topics will include reliability, validity, test and response bias, differential item functioning (DIF), and item response theory (IRT), along with looks at both exploratory and confirmatory factor analytic techniques.

Online approach: Each seminar class will take place on Zoom.

EVALUATION

1. I will have students write a term paper that will be based on the development and testing of small original scale (on a construct of their choosing).
2. All students will also be expected to present a paper involving test and measurement methodology (from a list that I will provide).
3. As well, there will be two small take-home quizzes that will allow students to demonstrate and consolidate knowledge of key concepts from the course.

TEXT

Selected weekly readings.