

PSYC 3505 A : EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

The course is intended to provide an overview of theory and research in areas of atypical cognitive, behavioural, and emotional development in children, including topics related to neurodiverse development, perceptual or cognitive differences, and behavioural and socio-emotional disorders. The course will include lecture materials drawn from the textbook, research literature, videos, and various empirical studies and guests presented in class.

The course will be in-person. Instruction may include a mix of lectures and/or in class activities, during our regularly scheduled class time. The class will include regular attendance by guest speakers including but not limited to parents, self-advocates, clinicians and therapists, key decision-makers, etc.

EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Tentatively, evaluations will consist of short written assignments (e.g. short answer assignment, video submission), participation in online or in-person discussions, a midterm, and a final exam. Details will be further discussed on Brightspace and outlined in the course syllabus.

TEXT

Could include Abnormal Child and Adolescent Psychology 9th Edition by Israel, Malatras, & Wicks-Nelson. Published by Routledge.