

PSYC 3500 A : DEVELOPEMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY SEMINAR

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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This full year (1.0 credit) course prepares students to do advanced research in developmental psychology. Students will work on general research skills throughout the course, including critical thinking, scientific writing, searching and synthesizing research literature, and learning about developmental research methods. This course has a substantial workload that includes weekly readings and discussions, lab and in-class exercises, oral presentations, and written work. Students will be expected to read journal articles and prepare research manuscripts in APA style. Students will learn about the sections of a research paper and gain experience developing hypotheses; evaluating measures; collecting data; managing, screening, analyzing, and interpreting data; and writing an ethics proposal. The course culminates in the preparation of an original research project. Additional topics to be discussed include ethical issues in developmental psychology research, knowledge translation, and educational/career options for students in developmental psychology.

EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Assignments (3), Mini-thesis, Oral presentations (2), In-class reflections.

TEXT

None.