

PSYC 3603 A : PSYCHOLOGY OF WOMEN

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Course Delivery	Online Scheduled with In-Person Assessments
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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTORS STATEMENT

This course will examine the social construction of gender, the development of gender identity, and the key factors associated with the psychology of women and gender. Topics will include (among others) the psychological impacts of gender role stereotypes, socialization, and trauma, including gender-based violence, on women's physical and mental well-being. We will also discuss women in the criminal justice system and in the world of work, and longer-term mental health outcomes associated with aging. The course will also explore the differences between feminist and traditional approaches to psychological research.

EVALUATION

Midterm exam: 45% (in person)

Final exam: 55% (in person)

Note that these assessments are in-person only.

TEXT

N/A. Reading for this course will be assigned articles, which are all available through the Carleton University Library.