

PSYC 4400 C : VIOLENT THOUGHTS

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COURSE DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

This seminar will focus on theory, conceptualization, and measurement of a variety of cognitions (such as attitudes, code of the street, cognitive distortions, honour ideology, moral disengagement, and hostile attributions) thought to be relevant for explaining, predicting, and reducing violent behaviour; the role those cognitions may play in violent behaviour; and interventions designed to ameliorate those cognitions. It will cover some different types of violence (such as general violence and sexual violence).

All classes for this seminar will be in-person on campus. A typical class will consist of lecture and discussion of the assigned readings. In-person attendance is required during the scheduled class times.

EVALUATION (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Participation and assignments.

TEXT

One or two readings will be assigned for each class. These readings—mostly journal articles—will be available online for free to Carleton students through the CU library website.