

**PSY 3410-40: Social Psychology
ONLINE
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Text: Baumeister, R. F., & Bushman, B. (2010). *Social Psychology and Human Nature, 2nd ed.*. New York: Wadsworth. (Required)

I. Course Description

This course will provide you with a broad, general introduction to social psychology--its basic subject matter, its approaches to gathering and evaluating evidence about the social causes and correlates of behavior, and also the means by which social psychological knowledge can be applied to improve the quality of individual and communal life.

II. Learning Objectives and Outcomes Learning objectives represent what you will be expected to learn in this course. These learning objectives are posted on blackboard.

III. Academic Integrity Policy

1. All work done for this course is to be your own.
2. Cheating is forbidden-All incidents will be reported to the Department Chair and/or Academic Dean.
3. All students are expected to have read and understand the current issue of the student handbook, published by Student Services. The handbook includes all student responsibilities, student rights, intellectual property policy, information regarding procedures, and appropriate student behavior.
4. Cheating of any kind may be punishable by one or more of the following: a) Receiving a failing grade on the specific assignment where dishonesty was observed; b) Receiving a failing grade in the course; c) Immediate dismissal from this course; and d) Referral to the Academic Affairs Committee which may take actions such as reprimands, placing on probation, suspension, or removal from Dixie State College of Utah.

IV. Class Policies

1. Check blackboard regularly as I will be posting updates and announcements. In addition, you will need to interact with your classmates via writing and replying to discussion threads.
2. Know when due dates are (quizzes, final paper, discussion threads).

V. Earning Points in the Course

A. **5 Exams**: Taken at the testing center. Each exam is worth 100 points. The exams will **not** be comprehensive; each exam will cover only the material since the previous exam. Each exam will consist of questions from both the book and lecture notes (PowerPoint's). Exams will contain both multiple choice and short answer questions.

Every exam will be given at the testing center. Every exam will be computerized. All you need to take with you is your **STUDENT ID**. If you do not bring your student ID to the testing center, you will not be allowed to take the exam. Do not bring any other material (e.g., no books or papers). Testing Center - <http://new.dixie.edu/testing>

If you have a question about your score on an exam, contact me via email or set up an appointment with me. We can go over the exam to make sure it was scored correctly. You can also ask for clarification regarding exam questions.

Exam Total = 500 pts.

B. **Discussion Threads**: You will be required to post a discussion thread related to material from each of 5 course modules. You will also be required to reply to at least 2 other discussion threads that have been posted by your classmates during each module. I will be checking the discussion threads frequently and will respond and contribute as I see fit. The earlier in the week you can submit your posts and replies the better, as this will allow the rest of the class ample time to reply to at least 2 other threads by the deadline. Each thread submission is worth 20 pts. If everyone waits till the day of the deadline to post, there may not be enough threads to reply to. The goal is to instigate critical thinking about the many topics in the field of social psychology.

Discussion Thread Total = 100 pts.

D. Summary of Points Possible:

Quizzes	500
Discussion Threads	100
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Total	600

VI. Grading Policy

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percent</u>
A	94% - 100%	C	74% - 76%
A-	90% - 93%	C-	70% - 73%
B+	87% - 89%	D+	67% - 69%
B	84% - 86%	D	64% - 66%
B-	80% - 83%	D-	60% - 63%
C+	77% - 79%	F	59% AND BELOW

At no time during the course will grades be curved. Your point totals determine your grade, not how other people perform.

VII: STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

If you are a student with a medical, psychological or a learning difference and requesting reasonable academic accommodations due to this disability, you must provide an official request of accommodation to your professor(s) from the Disability Resource Center (DRC) **within the first two weeks** of the beginning of classes. Students are to contact the center on the main campus to follow through with, and receive assistance in the documentation process to determine the appropriate accommodations related to their disability.

You may call **(435) 652-7516** for an appointment and further information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 per Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The DRC is located in the **Student Services Center, Room #201 of the Edith Whitehead Building.**

VIII. OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

May 30	Memorial Day
May 31	Classwork Starts
Jun 1	Last Day to Add Without Signature
Jun 7	\$25 Late Registration/Payment Fee
Jun 9	Pell Grant Census
Jun 9	Last Day for Refund
Jun 9	Last Day to drop without receiving a "W" grade
Jun 13	Last Day to ADD Classes
Jun 13	Courses dropped for non-payment
Jun 27	Last Day to DROP/AUDIT Classes
Jul 4	Independence Day
Jul 8	Last Day for Complete Withdrawal
Jul 22	Classwork Ends
Jul 22	Final Exams

IX. SCHEDULE OF COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
5/31 – 6/5	Ch. 1 and 2	Discussion Thread #1 due June 5 Quiz 1 available between 6/3 and 6/8
6/6 – 6/15	Ch. 3 and 4	Discussion Thread #2 due June 15 Quiz 2 available between 6/13 and 6/16
6/16 – 6/26	Ch. 5 and 7	Discussion Thread #3 due June 26 Quiz 3 available between 6/24 and 6/27
6/27 – 7/8	Ch. 9 and 10	Discussion Thread #4 due July 8 Quiz 4 available between 7/7 and 7/12
7/9 – 7/20	Ch. 11, 12, and 13	Discussion Thread #5 due July 20 Quiz 5 available between 7/20 and 7/22

DISCLAIMER

Information contained in this syllabus, other than the grading scale and exam/quiz policy may be subject to change with advanced notice, as deemed appropriate to the instructor.