

Syllabus
Abnormal Psychology
PSYC 3603, Section 201
Spring, 2021

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Office Hours: 1:00 - 3:00, MW

8:30 - 9:30, TR

Class Times: 12:30-1:50, TR

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Location: PY 101

Text: Hooley, J.M., Butcher, J.N., Nock, M.K., & Mineka, S. (2017). Abnormal psychology (17th ed.). Boston : Pearson.

Note : The text is absolutely crucial for this course. However, it is expensive, so feel free to get this text from whatever source, and in whatever format you can.

Course Objectives: This course is designed to provide students with an overview of historical views of mental disorders, the problems of identifying and classifying deviant behavior, current research concerning the background, development, symptoms, dynamics, and prognosis of the major categories of mental disorders.

Course Description: This is an online class, through D2L. There is no in-person component. Please have your camera on: I prefer teaching to faces rather than letters. Also, while I know it is more difficult, I strongly encourage you to participate in the class; answer my questions, ask your own questions, make appropriate comments, etc. Material will be presented in the form of class lectures and occasional video presentations. While this course is basically a lecture course, it is necessary that students read material ahead and be prepared to engage in meaningful class discussion. Class lectures will be related to, but not identical with, material presented in the text, and you will be tested on both; therefore, regular class attendance is required.

GRADING

Exams (4 @ 25 % each) 100%

Tentative Reading and Exam Schedule

Section I (Chapters 1-4) 1/12 – 2/2

EXAM I 2/4

Section II (Chapters 5-8) 2/9 – 2/25

EXAM II 3/2

Section III (Chapters 9-12) 3/4 – 3/25

EXAM III 3/30

Section IV (Chapters 13-16) 4/6 – 4/22

FINAL EXAM Thursday, 4/29 (10:30 - 12:30)

Attendance Policy: Students are allowed three (3) absences. Once you exceed this limit, whether the absences are excused or not, you may be dropped from the course with a grade of “F.” I will check roll after each Zoom session.

Cheating Policy: Any evidence of cheating will result in dismissal from this class with a grade of “F.”

Note: Individuals requiring special accommodation may contact me after class or during office hours.

Also note: Phones are to be turned off during class. If you have a situation that requires you to receive calls, you need to contact me ahead of time and have your device on silent mode.

Course Agreement

I have read and understand the course syllabus for PSYC 3603, Abnormal Psychology. By signing below, I am agreeing to abide by the policies and requirements outlined in the syllabus.

Signature

Date

Print Your Name Here

Please print this page, sign where indicated, and scan and email it back to me.

Thank you,

Dr. Guthrie