

**PSY 1000D General Psychology  
Psychology Department, CUHK  
2006-2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

Course Instructor

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Course Time & Location

Lecture: Thur 8:30-10:15 HYS G05  
Tutorial: Mon 12:30-13:15 HYS 306 / HYS G05

Class Web Page

<http://cuforum.cuhk.edu.hk>

Course Objectives

The purpose of this course is to introduce fundamental concepts from psychology in the daily life context. Upon completion of this course, students should have acquired a basic understanding of findings in various areas of psychology, and major psychological theories used to explain human behavior.

Course Textbook

Wade, C., & Tavis, C. (2005). Invitation to Psychology (3<sup>rd</sup> Ed). New Jersey: Pearson Education Inc.

Course Evaluation

Test 1 (40 MC questions)	25%
Test 2 (40 MC questions)	30%
Test 3 (40 MC questions)	30%
Thought Pieces (2 pieces)	10%
Attendance	5%
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Total	100%

All absences on quiz days will require a doctor's certificate. Any quizzes missed without medical certificate will be given a **ZERO** for that quiz. Students with valid certificate will be given a make-up test, however, 20% of the score in that quiz will be deducted.

Students are required to participate in **3 hours** of psychology experiments. Sign-up sheets for these experiments are posted outside SB LT1. You can refer to the "Experiment Participation Instruction" handout or browse the "Subject Pool Webpage" (<http://www.psy.cuhk.edu.hk/~subjectpool>) for further details.

#### Thought Pieces

Students will need to submit two thought pieces in response to two short articles. The articles will be posted to CUForum by tutors. Each thought piece should be one-page long (type-written, double-spaced, 12 point font, 1-inch margins) and should demonstrate correct application of psychological theories and/or research.

#### Interested in Minor in Psychology?

To minor in psychology, a student needs to pass this course. Further information about application particulars can be obtained from the psychology general office, SB 328.

## Course Outline & Schedule

Lecture (Thur)	Lecture Topic	Reading	Tutorial (Mon)	Tutorial Content
11 Jan	What is Psychology?	Chapter 1	15 Jan	Psychology vs. astrology
18 Jan	What is a person? Theories of personality	Chapter 2	22 Jan	Scientific vs. popular personality tests
25 Jan	What makes me who I am? Development over the life span	Chapter 3	29 Jan	Developmental Psychology
1 Feb	How do I interact with others?	Chapter 10	5 Feb	Persuasion
8 Feb	How do I learn?	Chapter 9	12 Feb	Test 1 (Chapters 1-3, 10)
15 Feb	What drives us to do things? Love, sex, food and work	Chapter 14	19 Feb	Lunar New Year Holiday: <b><i>NO tutorial</i></b>
22 Feb	Lunar New Year Holiday: <b><i>NO lecture</i></b>	Chapter 6	26 Feb	Reinforcement in Operant Conditioning (1 <sup>st</sup> thought piece due in tutorial class)
1 Mar	Sensation and Perception	Chapter 7	5 Mar	Perceptual illusion
8 Mar	How do I think? Thinking and intelligence	Chapter 8	12 Mar	Test 2 (Chapters 6, 7, 9, 14)
15 Mar	What do I remember?	Chapter 4	19 Mar	Intelligence tests and forms of intelligence
22 Mar	Neurons, hormones and the brain	Chapter 13	26 Mar	Functions of different brain structures
29 Mar	Mental health: Emotion, stress and health	Chapter 11	2 Apr	How healthy is your lifestyle? (2 <sup>nd</sup> thought piece due in tutorial class)
5 Apr	Easter Holiday: <b><i>No lecture</i></b>	--	9 Apr	Easter Holiday: <b><i>NO tutorial</i></b>
12 Apr	When the mind goes wrong: Psychological disorders	Chapter 12	16 Apr	Test 3 (Chapters 4, 8, 11-13)
19 Apr	What to do when the mind goes wrong: Psychotherapy	--		

## University policy and regulations on honesty in academic work

Attention is drawn to University policy and regulations on honesty in academic work, and to the disciplinary guidelines and procedures applicable to breaches of such policy and regulations. Details may be found at <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/policy/academichonesty/> . With each assignment, students will be required to submit a statement that they are aware of these policies, regulations, guidelines and procedures.

**(To be signed by students at the beginning of the semester)**

I declare that the assignment here submitted is original except for source material explicitly acknowledged. I also acknowledge that I am aware of University policy and regulations on honesty in academic work, and of the disciplinary guidelines and procedures applicable to breaches of such policy and regulations, as contained in the website <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/policy/academichonesty/>

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