

Syllabus for: Psych 11 Lifespan Development

Semester & Year:	Fall 2012
Course ID and Section Number:	Psych 11 E1955
Number of Credits/Units:	3.0
Day/Time:	TTh 11:40-1:05
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Course Description (catalog description as described in course outline):

An introduction to the psychological study of human development across the lifespan. Biological, cognitive, and psycho-social influence on human development will be examined. Topics include prenatal development, childhood, adolescence, and adulthood.

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Academic Misconduct: Cheating, plagiarism, collusion, abuse of resource materials, computer misuse, fabrication or falsification, multiple submissions, complicity in academic misconduct, and/ or bearing false witness will not be tolerated. Violations will be dealt with according to the procedures and sanctions proscribed by the College of the Redwoods. Students caught plagiarizing or cheating on exams will receive an "F" in the course.

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Psych 11 Section #E1955

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Student Commitment: This three credit-hour class will require about nine hours per week of your time. You will have to regularly attend class – four or more absences is considered excessive, carefully read textbook chapters, submit thoughtful daily writing assignments, complete a research paper, and successfully demonstrate your learning in exams. Conscientiousness, attention to details, reading, writing, and study skills are critical.

Required Textbook: The class requires the textbook Human Development: A Cultural Approach by Arnett, Jeffrey Jensen (2012), Pearson (four options, choose one)

1. The hardcover text at the CR Bookstore (<http://bookstore.redwoods.edu/>) (ISBN 0-205-25862-X \$167 (est)). The book will come packaged with an access code to MyDevelopmentLab (MDL), an online textbook support. The MDL is recommended by **not required** for this class. The bookstore will usually buy back the text for next semester.
2. The text (hardcover or unbound) at the publisher's website. <http://www.pearsonhighered.com/educator/product/Human-Development-A-Cultural-Approach/9780205595266.page> New hardcover \$160.40; Unbound \$104.67. The 3-ring unbound is identical to the hardcover but has no cover or binding and cannot be sold back to the bookstore as used.

3. The text at an online commercial vendor. The hardcover text (ISBN-10: 020559526X). Approximate cost for the hardcover text is less than \$70. This is the least expensive option for a hardcopy of the textbook. Be sure to order early and have the textbook before the start of class.
4. The electronic version of the textbook (ebook) is available from CourseSmart: <http://www.coursesmart.com/0205214363> One-year access for \$62.

A copy of the text is on two-hour reserve in the library (LRC).

Dates	Topic	Assignments	Assessment
Wk 1: Aug 28 & Aug 30	A Cultural Approach to Human Development	Ch 1 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 2: Sept 4 & Sept 6	Intro & Genetics and Prenatal Development	Ch 1/2 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 3: Sept 11 & Sept 13	Genetics and Prenatal Development	Ch 2 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts Take Home Exam
Wk 4: Sept 18 & Sept 20	Birth and the Newborn	Ch 3 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 5: Sept 25 & Sept 27	Infancy	Ch 4 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 6: Oct 2 & Oct 4	Toddlerhood	Ch5 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 7: Oct 9 & Oct 11	Early Childhood	Ch 6 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts

Wk 8: Oct 16 & Oct 18	Exam 1 Chapters 3-6 Middle Childhood	Ch 7 Text and Lectures	Exam 1 (Tuesday) Th Lecture Pts
Wk 9: Oct 23 & Oct 25	Middle Childhood Adolescence	Chs 7/8 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 10: Oct 30 & Nov 1	Adolescence Emerging Adulthood	Chs 8/9 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 11: Nov 6 & Nov 8	Emerging Adulthood Young Adulthood Life History Project	Chs 9/10 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts Project Due Thursday
Wk 12: Nov 13 & Nov 15	Young Adulthood Exam 2 Chapters 7-10	Ch 10 Text and Lectures	Tu Lecture Pts Exam 2 (Thursday)
Wk 13: Nov 20	Middle Adulthood	Ch 11 Text and Lectures	Tu Lecture Pts
Wk 14: Nov 27 & Nov 29	Late Adulthood	Ch 12 Text and Lectures	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
Wk 15: Dec 4 & Dec 6	Death and Afterlife Beliefs	Ch 13 Text and Lecture	Tu/Th Lecture Pts
TBA	Final Exam Chapters 11-13 and recycled Chs 1- 10		FINAL EXAM

Grading Standards

Lecture Points (approx. 81 points/3 points each): Near the end of each class you will identify a topic from the lecture to respond and relate to your personal experience. Specifically, you will be asked to: Thoughtfully respond/react to the topic and write a question you have based on the day's topic. You must attend the full lecture to receive credit. Each submission should be at least one-half page handwritten.

Life History project (75 points): Information on this project is available in a separate handout. An alternative assignment is available upon request.

Exams (250 points): Each exam will consist of 25 multiple-choice questions per chapter. After graded exams are returned, you can improve your score $\frac{1}{2}$ point for each missed item by identifying the correct answer and text page. Corrections are due at the next class meeting following the exam's return. You must take the exam at or before its scheduled date for full credit. Late exams are allowed up to one week with a penalty.

Final Exam (100 points): The final exam will consist of 25 multiple-choice questions each for chapters 11 – 13 and recycled test questions for the first 10 chapters. There will NOT be an opportunity to improve scores by correcting your errors. You must take the exam at or before its scheduled date. Late exams are not allowed.

Grade Distribution: A = 93% and above, A- = 90-92%, B+ = 88-89%, B = 83-88%, B- = 80-82%, C+ = 78-79%, C = 70-77%, D = 60-69%, F = 59% and below.

Note: *There are no extra-credit opportunities. While I make every effort to follow the standards and schedule of this syllabus there may be times when changes are necessary. I will inform the class of any changes.*

Note: *Administrative procedure (AP) 5075 allows instructors to withdraw students from class for non-participation or excessive absences through the 10th week of class.*

