

Syllabus for: Lifespan Development	
Semester & Year:	Spring, 2014
Course ID and Section Number:	V5731
Number of Credits/Units:	3.0
Day/Time:	TBA Late-Start
Location:	Online
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Course Description (catalog description as described in course outline): An introduction to the psychological study of human development across the life span. Biological, cognitive, and psycho-social influence on human development will be examined. Topics include prenatal development, childhood, adolescence, and adulthood. <i>English 150 Recommended</i>	
Student Learning Outcomes (as described in course outline) : (1) Analyze how biological, psychological, and social processes affect human development. (2) Demonstrate knowledge and understanding representing appropriate breadth and depth in selected content areas of prenatal, infant, child, adolescent, and adult development. (3) Analyze and/or apply developmental research in writing. (4) Identify and describe classic and contemporary theories and research in lifespan psychology. (5) Identify and describe the techniques and methods used by developmental psychologists to study human development. (6) Identify possible causes or sources of developmental change and reasons for disturbances in the developmental process.	
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<http://redwoods.edu/District/Board/New/Chapter5/AP%205500%20Conduct%20Code%20final%2002-07-2012.pdf>

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Psych 11 – Section V5731
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Computer Skills: Online courses require adequate computer skills. You should be able to navigate the course websites, open and download files, use a word processor with either microsoft word (.docx) or be able to convert files to rich text format (.rtf) or portable document format (.pdf), and submit files to MyCR, the class website. It is your responsibility to meet the technological demands of the course.

Computer Requirements: Most computers and internet providers are adequate. I would recommend broadband services from cable, DSL, or satellite providers as there are required multimedia assignments. You need to have reliable access to the internet at least two times a week for 16 weeks. Anticipate problems with your computer and internet access (including power outages) by not waiting until the last minute to submit assignments. It is your responsibility to meet the class deadlines.

Student Commitment: Your commitment will require at least as much time as you dedicate to a traditional class. A typical three credit hour class will require about nine hours per week of your time. You will need to carefully read online lectures and textbook chapters, participate in online activities and watch online videos, participate in online discussions, and complete weekly quizzes. Conscientiousness, attention to details, and skills in reading and writing are critical for success.

Instructor Commitment: I dedicate as much or more time to this class compared to a traditional class. I will access the class website regularly and respond to posted questions and messages within 48 hours. Additionally, I read every discussion forum post and occasionally participate. There is also regular instructor-based communication with weekly announcements, lectures, evaluative feedback to your discussion posts, and emails/ messages to students who fall behind.

Required Text/Resources: The class requires the textbook Human Development: A Cultural Approach by Arnett, Jeffrey Jensen (2011/12), Pearson **and** access to MyPsychLab (also called MyDevelopmentLab) by Pearson Publishers. They are purchased together or separately.

- **Textbook and MyPsychLab (MPL): Purchased together** - select one of two options:
 1. The hardcover text and MPL access card at the publisher's website.
<http://www.mypearsonstore.com/bookstore/human-development-a-cultural-approach-plus-new-mypsyhlab-9780205987887?xid=PSED> Hardcover text w/access card \$189.47.
 2. The digital etext with MPL purchased through the publisher's website. The electronic version of the text includes an audio-only or audiobook option in addition to the readable text.
<http://www.mypearsonstore.com/bookstore/product.asp?isbn=0205227996> The digital textbook is accessed through your MPL account. Access to the digital textbook and MPL \$75.00.
- **Textbook and MyPsychLab (MPL): Purchased separately**
 1. The **hardcover text** (ISBN-10: 020559526X) purchased new, used, or rented from a commercial vendor such as the College of the Redwoods Bookstore, Amazon.com, or Chegg.com. Approximate cost for the hardcover text ranges from \$175 to less than \$70. Approximate cost for the text rentals are around \$45. Be sure to order early and have the textbook by the start of class. Another option is the **electronic version of the textbook** (ebook) available from CourseSmart:
<http://www.coursesmart.com/0205214363> Access for \$53.
 2. Purchase the access code to **MPL** from the publisher for approx. \$55.
<http://www.mypearsonstore.com/bookstore/new-mypsyhlab-instant-access-for-human-development-0205213057> **Class ID#: winter51541**

Please have access to the text and MPL by the first week of class as assignments begin immediately and are due by the end of the week. A copy of the text is available on two-hour reserve at the LRC on the Eureka campus but access to the online MPL has to be purchased no later than February 9. There is free 14-day access when you sign up.

MyPsychLab (MPL) Activities (240 points): Also known as MyDevelopmentLab, the online MPL has chapter assignments with **section study plans and video assignments with quizzes**. The Study Plans are designed to help you prepare for the weekly chapter quizzes administered at the MyCR website. The lowest weekly MPL Activities scores will be dropped at semester's end.

Weekly MPL Study Plan Scoring – 10 points possible – Complete the study plans include: section pretest, recommended study material, and posttest. *Scores are determined by the mean average of the chapter's three section posttest scores.* The pretest and recommended study material are to help you prepare for the section posttest and will not be graded. If you score 100% in a section pretest you do not have to complete study material or posttest.

Weekly MPL Video Quiz Scoring – 10 points possible – *You will receive a point for each video quiz passed (70%) for up to a total of 10 points.* Each chapter Video Assignment with Quizzes includes 10 short videos with brief quizzes. You can take each video quiz twice.

Class Discussions (120 points): Each week has a discussion based on a prompt. You will receive up to a maximum of 10 points for postings and responses to other peoples' postings (see scoring below). This is an important and required part of the class. The discussion forum is accessed from the MyCR website. The lowest weekly discussion forum score will be dropped at semester's end.

Primary Post -- 5 points possible --Your primary post must:

- React analytically, not a summary or personal example (1 point)
- Relate and apply topic to your own personal experience (1 point)
- Use correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and complete sentences (1 point)
- Be posted before the Thursday deadline (1 point)
- Meet the 300 word minimum length (1 point)

Reply Postings -- 5 points possible – Each of your **two reply posts** must:

- React thoughtfully to the content of a classmate's primary post. Focus your reply on your classmate's post, not on your personal experiences (2 points)
- Meet the 150 word minimum length (2 points)
- Use correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and complete sentences (1 point)

Chapter Quizzes (240 points): This course is organized around 13 topics/chapters. Each chapter will have a quiz consisting of 20 timed multiple-choice items based on the week's readings from the textbook and instructor's online lectures. Quizzes are available at the MyCR website beginning Mondays when the chapters are presented and until the deadlines on Sundays at 11:59 pm. Quiz scores and correct answers are available immediately upon submission. Chapter quizzes are not allowed after the deadline passes except under extraordinary conditions and with a 20% penalty. The lowest chapter quiz score will be dropped at semester's end. You should prepare as you would in a face-to-face class and emphasize the MPL Study Plans. You are limited to a total of 20 minutes for each quiz. While technically an open-book quiz, you will not have time to search and find all of the answers in the lecture or textbook.

Midterm Exam – MyVirtualLife/Child (50 points): You will raise a child from birth to adulthood and complete the written assignments. You can begin this assignment early in the semester (date to be announced) and must complete it by Sunday, April 06. Anticipate committing 10+ hours. As part of the assignment you will complete written responses for infancy, early childhood, middle childhood, and adolescence. It is these responses that will be graded. *MyVirtualLife class ID# will be announced and available at the MPL.*

Final Exam – MyVirtualLife/Adult (50 points): You will live a virtual life from emerging adulthood to age 80 and complete the written assignments. You can begin this assignment after the midterm exam (date to be announced) and must complete it by Wednesday, May 14. Anticipate committing 5+ hours. As part of the assignment you will complete written responses for emerging, early, middle, and late adulthood. It is these responses that will be graded.

Course Schedule: Each week consists of **Topics** and **Assignments**.

Dates	Topics	Assignments
Week 01 Feb 03 – Feb 09	Introduction to Human Development Section 1: Human development today and its origins Section 2: Theories of human development Section 3: How we study human development	Chapter 1 Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz
Week 02 Feb 10 – Feb 16	Genetics and Prenatal Development Section 1: Genetic influences on development Section 2: Prenatal develop. and prenatal care Section 3: Pregnancy problems	Chapter 2 Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz
Week 03 Feb 17 – Feb 23	Birth and the Newborn Section 1: Birth and its cultural context Section 2: The neonate Section 3: Caring for the neonate	Chapter 3 Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz

<p>Week 04</p> <p>Feb 24 – Mar 02</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Infancy</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 4</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 05</p> <p>Mar 03 – Mar 09</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Toddlerhood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 5</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 06</p> <p>Mar 10 – Mar 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Early Childhood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 6</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Mar 17 – Mar 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SPRING BREAK</p>	
<p>Week 07</p> <p>Mar 24 – Mar 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Middle Childhood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 7</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 08</p> <p>Mar 31 – Apr 06</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Adolescence</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 8</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Midterm Exam</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MyVirtualLife/Child (Class ID# TBA)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MyVirtualLife Exam Due: April 06</p>

<p>Week 09</p> <p>Apr 07 – Apr 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Emerging Adulthood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 9</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 10</p> <p>Apr 14 – Apr 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Young Adulthood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 10</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 11</p> <p>Apr 21 – Apr 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Middle Adulthood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 11</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 12</p> <p>Apr 28 – May 04</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Late Adulthood</p> <p>Section 1: Physical development Section 2: Cognitive development Section 3: Emotional and social development</p>	<p>Chapter 12</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
<p>Week 13</p> <p>May 05 – May 11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Death and Afterlife Beliefs</p> <p>Section 1: Physical aspects of death Section 2: Sociocultural and emotional responses to death Section 3: Beliefs about death and the afterlife</p>	<p>Chapter 13</p> <p>Text, Lecture, Discussion, MPL, and Quiz</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Final Exam</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MyVirtualLife/Adult (<i>Class ID# TBA</i>)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MyVirtualLife Exam Due: May 14</p>

Grade Distribution: A=93% and above, A-=90-92%, B+=88-89%, B=83-87, B-=80-82%, C+=78-79%, C=65-77%, D=60-64%, F=59% and below

Code of Conduct: Please familiarize yourself with the Student Code of Conduct Standards in the college catalogue under campus policies and regulations. It is required that do your own work. All papers, postings, activities, and exams must be completed by you without assistance. Do not use any source except the textbook, MPL, or instructor's lectures in your discussion posts without proper citation. Please be respectful to your classmates. Be kind and considerate in all of your postings and responses to the discussion forum.

Students with Disabilities: This class is designed to accommodate students with disabilities. Please contact me directly with specific concerns. For more information go to the DSPS website at <http://redwoods.edu/district/dsps/>

Notes: 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 through the announcement board and/or class email of any changes. Administrative procedure (AP) 5075 allows instructors to withdraw students from class for non-participation through the 10th week of class. Non-participation for two weeks of assignments may result in involuntary withdrawal.