## Psychology D50S

## **Current Topics in Memory and Cognition**

Topic for 1995: Applied Aspects of Memory Room R4031, Monday 1-3

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Text: Gruneberg, M. and Morris, P. (Eds.) 1992. Aspects of Memory, Volume 1: The practical aspects. Second edition. Routledge.

In this course we will examine various issues of "everyday memory" or "memory in the real world". The emphasis will be on how information about memory gained in the laboratory can be applied in real world situations. Each student is expected to come to class having read the assigned materials and prepared to discuss the day's topic. The grade for the course will be based on three components:

- 1. two term tests, one on February 20 and the second during exam period. The two tests will comprise 85% of the grade.
- 2. a brief class presentation of approximately 15 minutes, based on an assigned paper. The presentation will be worth 15% of the grade.

## **Topics**

January 2: Eyewitness memory

Chapt. 1 & 2

January 9: Feeling of knowing

Koriat, A. 1994. Memory's knowledge of its own knowledge: The accessibility account of the feeling of knowing. In Metcalfe, J. & Shimamura, A.P., (Eds.), Metacognition:

Knowing about knowing. MIT press. (on reserve in the

library)

January 16: Face memory -- theory and practice

Chapt.3

January 23: No class

January 30: Brain damage and memory disorders

Chapt.4

February 6: Repressed memory for sexual abuse

Lindsay, D.S. and Read, J.D., 1994. Incest resolution psychotherapy and memories of childhood sexual abuse:

A cognitive perspective. Applied Cognitive

Psychology. (on reserve)

February 13: Reading Week

February 20: First Exam; Grades available before Feb.24

February 27: Memory and Aging

Chapt.5

March 6: The facilitation of memory performance.

Chapt.6

March 13: The practical application of memory aids: Knowing how,

knowing when, and knowing when not.

Chapt.7

March 20: Prospective Memory: Remembering to do things

Chapt.8

March 27: Autobiographical Memory

Chapt.9

April 3: To be announced

Exam period: Second Exam