

Psychology C26
Developmental Psychology Laboratory

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Course Overview

During the term, there will be class discussion of research design and methodology used in the study of human development. It is important therefore to come to class prepared to discuss issues raised in the required reading for that week.

In addition to class discussion of research methodology and design, there will be a lab project which involves observational methodology, an important research approach in developmental psychology. More detailed information about the lab project will be provided in the second part of the term.

Evaluation

There are two examinations and a paper based on the lab project. The mid-term examination covers required reading assignments and class material up to the date of the exam (October 16). The final examination covers required reading assignments and class material from the **entire term**. In addition, students are expected to take part in class discussion during the term. Each of these components is weighted as follows:

Mid-term examination (October 16 during the class period) : 25%

Paper for Lab Project (due November 27): 25%

Final examination : 35%

Participation in class discussion: 15%

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Textbook

The textbook for this course is Developmental Research Methods (2nd edition) by Scott A. Miller. This text can be purchased at the UTSC Bookstore.

Required Reading Assignments and Class Schedule

Required reading assignments listed below are from your textbook: Developmental Research Methods (2nd edition) by Scott A. Miller. At the end of each chapter, you will notice that there are suggested exercises. Some (but not all) of these will be included for class discussion. The specific exercises to be included will be indicated in class during the term.

Assignment:

Class Schedule:

Course introduction	September 11
Chapter 1 and Chapter 2	September 18
Chapter 3 and Chapter 4	September 25
Chapter 5 and Chapter 6	October 2
Chapter 7	October 9
Mid-term exam during class period (10:10-noon)	October 16
Chapter 8	October 23
Start Lab Project	October 30
Continue Lab Project Chapter 9	November 6
Continue Lab Project Chapter 10	November 13
Continue Lab Project Chapter 11	November 20
Paper due for Lab Project Discuss Lab Project in class	November 27