

Psychology A01

Section L30 2002 - 2003

January through May

Announcements

January 7th, 2003

Welcome to the second term. As I hope you all know, things will work a little diffently this term. Rather than attending lectures live, you will be able to view the lectures online. In fact, there is no live version of these lectures offered this term, so all the lectures will only be delivered in an online manner.

We were going to have an introductory meeting to explain all this to you, but we now think that word has spread fairly well, and that the process itself is sufficiently straightforward that it does not require an inclass session to explain. I did create a webpage though that should include all the relevant information. It is available by clicking here.

Note also that while the classes are online, there will still be office hours. My (Steve Joordens') office hours are Mondays from 3:00 until 4:30 pm, and the TA's (Mike Dodd's) office hours are Thursdays from 10 am until noon.

Just to be perfectly clear then, you do not need to physically attend any lectures this term. You need only follow the lectures online, then come in for exams (which we will announce via the webpage).

Syllabus

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Course Structure

This is a full year psychology course, but it will be presented across two terms. For this section (section L30), the first half of the course was talk "live" by Dr. Colin MacLeod, and the second half is being taught using what we call the "Web Option" approach. This means that there will be no live lectures but, rather, you will be able to view the lectures via streaming video. For technical details on how to do this, check out the main course webpage which can be accessed by clicking here. Despite the fact that there will be no lecturer teaching the course "live", Professor Steve Joordens (that's me) will be creating the exams and generally administering the course.

For both sections of the course, I will be using powerpoint to accompany my lectures. If you wish, you can download and print the slides ahead of time. Doing so allows you to listen more while watching the lectures, adding your own thoughts to the notes contained in the slides. By clicking here you can get access to the notes along with instructions on how to print and download them.

Text



The text we will use in this course is entitled "Psychology: The Science of Behaviour", Second Canadian Edition (Carlson, Buskist, Enzle, & Heth). The second edition is very similar to the first edition and, if you have a first edition there is no need to get the second.

The publishers of the text had created an online study guide for the First Ca Edition. Given there have been only minor changes across editions, this studis still very useful, especially the practice tests! To assess the online study g this text, <u>click here</u> or on the picture of the text.

Evaluation

Your performance in this class will be assessed via four midterm exams, each comprising 25% of your final mark. Each exam will focus on a specific section of the course and will be comprised of 50 five-alternative multiple-choice questions. Although I do not yet know the exact dates or writing locations of the exams, I can say the following for now (and I will

update this as more information becomes available).

The first midterm will fall somewhere during the 7th week of classes, and will cover Chapters 1 - 4.

The second midterm will fall during the Winter Exam Period, and will cover Chapters 5 - 9.

The third midterm will fall somewhere during the week after reading week, and will cover Chapters 10 - 14.

The final midterm will fall during the Spring Exam Period, and will cover Chapters 15 - 18.

In addition to these midterms you can also obtain a bonus of up to 3% for your participation in ongoing psychology experiments. For more information on how this works, <u>click here</u>.

As the marks come in I will be posting a file showing your marks on the exams to date. Look here for the link.