

**Psychology C11H3
Social Psychology Laboratory
Fall, 2008**

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Textbook: *Research Methods in Social Relations* (7th edition)
Authors: R. H. Hoyle, M. J. Harris & C. M. Judd
Publisher: Wadsworth (2002)

Course Overview

This course covers research methodology in social psychology, including learning about specific techniques, such as attitude measurement, and also, more general principles of design and methodology. There will be two class projects, intended to give you first-hand experience with research approaches used in social psychological research.

Please note that for two classes, we meet in one of the Computer labs (B 471). See the list of assignments for the specific dates when the class meets in B 471. For these classes in the Computer Lab, you need a UTSC student account (same one as you would need to access the UTSC intranet). Make sure your account is active before the first session in B 471.

If you have questions about course material (lectures, labs), please come by during the office hour or make an appointment. E-mail should not be used to ask questions about course material.

Evaluation

For each of the two class projects, there is a paper based on the project. You will receive detailed information about the project and the format for the paper based on each project during the term. In addition, there will be one examination, covering the required reading in your text throughout the entire term, as well as material presented in class during the entire term. This examination will take place during the final exam period.

Each of the three components listed below is worth one third of the final course grade.

Paper for first class project: Due October 14
Paper for second class project: Due November 25
Examination: During the final exam period

Required Reading Assignments and Class Schedule for Psy C11H3 (Fall; 2008)

Required reading assignments listed below are from your text: Hoyle, Harris & Judd's, *Research Methods in Social Relations* (7th edition)

Assignment:	Class Schedule:
Course overview	September 9
Chapter 4 (Fundamentals of measurement) and Chapter 5 (Modes of measurement) Start Project 1	September 16
Chapter 6 (Single-item measures in questionnaires); and Chapter 7 (Scaling and multiple-item measures)	September 23
Chapter 17 (Data management and exploration) Class meets in Computer Lab (B 471)	September 30
Chapter 2 (Evaluating social science theories and research) Class meets in Computer Lab (B 471)	October 7
Paper due for Project 1 Discuss Project 1 in class	October 14
Chapter 3 (Ethical principles) and Chapter 16 (Qualitative research)	October 21
Chapter 8 (Fundamentals of sampling) and Chapter 9 (Probability sampling methods) Start Project 2	October 28
Chapter 10 (Experience sampling) and Chapter 11 (Randomized experiments)	November 4
Chapter 12 (The laboratory setting) and Chapter 13 (Nonrandomized designs)	November 11
Chapter 14 (Applied research) and Chapter 15 (Observational and archival research)	November 18
Paper due for Project 2	November 25