Psychology D22H3 (LEC 01)
Socialization Processes

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Course Content: This course focuses on theory and research concerning issues in the area of socialization. In the first part of the term, we will examine the topics of moral judgment, the development of moral behaviour and the contribution of gender and sociocultural factors to moral development. In the second part of the term, class members will examine other selected issues relevant to socialization processes and social development in the context of class presentations.

Course Policy: Classes in the first part of the term consist of lecture/discussion followed by an examination (essay format) on February 10. The exam covers material from class lectures and from the required reading. During the second part of the term, there will be class presentations concerning salient controversies in the area of social development and socialization. Each student will choose a class presentation topic early in the term from a list provided by Prof. Dion. Each student will also submit a paper on that topic. More information about the format for the class presentation and the paper will be provided when the topics are chosen.

Throughout the term, students are expected to participate in class discussion (e.g., commenting on course material during class, asking questions after the student presentations, raising issues relevant to the material being discussed).

Evaluation:
The weighting of each component of evaluation is as follows:

Examination (On February 10): 35%
Class presentation: 25%
Paper: 25%
Participation in class discussion: 15%

Required Reading: There is no textbook to purchase. All required reading is on reserve in the Bladen Library. Some of the required reading (the assigned journal articles) also can be downloaded and printed from e-journals (see e-indexes at the U of T library website).