

Introduction to Developmental Psychology

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Class Location	<i>AC-223</i>
Course Web Site	<i>http://www.utoronto.ca/~marksch/psyb20/b20-index.htm</i>

Course Description:

This course presents students with a broad and integrative overview of child development. Major theories and research findings will be discussed in order to understand how the child changes physically, socially, emotionally, and cognitively with age. Topics are organized chronologically beginning with prenatal development and continuing through selected issues in adolescence and life-span development.

Text:

Hetherington, E. M., Parke, R. D., & Schmuckler, M. A. (2005). *Child Psychology: A Contemporary Viewpoint*, Second Canadian Edition. Toronto: McGraw-Hill Ryerson.

Course Requirements and Grading:

There will be two term exams during the semester and a final exam. Each test will cover only material discussed since the last test. Each of these exams will contribute one-third to your final grade in this class. The dates of these exams will be announced in class.

Syllabus

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic(s)</u>	<u>Reading</u>
Week 1	Introduction to Class History of Developmental Psychology	Ch. 1
Week 2	Themes and Theories of Development Developmental Methods	Ch. 2
Week 3	Biological and Environmental Aspects of Development Perceptual Development	Ch. 3, 4 Ch. 5
Week 4	Perceptual Development, con't Motor Development	Ch. 5 Ch. 6
Week 5	Physical Growth Cognitive Development: The Piagetian Approach	Ch. 6 Ch. 9
Week 6	Cognitive Development: The Piagetian Approach, con't Cognitive Development: Neopietian Approaches	Ch. 9
Week 7	Cognitive Development: Information Processing Cognitive Development: Intelligence	Ch. 10 Ch. 11
Week 8	Cognitive Development: Intelligence, con't Emotional Development and Attachment	Ch. 11 Ch. 7
Week 9	Agents of Socialization: The Family Agents of Socialization: Peers and Play	Ch. 12 Ch. 13
Week 10	Agents of Socialization: Peers and Play, con't Agents of Socialization: The Schools	Ch. 13 Ch. 14
Week 11	Agents of Socialization: The Schools, con't Social Development: Gender	Ch. 14 Ch. 15
Week 12	Social Development: Gender, con't Social Development: Morality	Ch. 15 Ch. 16