

PSYD30H3 Personality

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BLACKBOARD: *****YOU are responsible for checking BLACKBOARD frequently for the readings and critical class news/updates/information*****

TAs: **TBA: Each will have office hours that will be posted on Blackboard at the start of the course, along with their contact information**

This course is intended to introduce students to the scientific study of the whole person in biological, social, & cultural context. The ideas of classical personality theorists will be discussed in reference to findings from contemporary personality research.

Required Text: Engler, B. (2009). *Personality theories (8th Ed.)*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, Cengage Learning.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Midterm Exam (October 20) 50% Covering September 15 – October 13 (Ch. 1-7)
Final Exam (During Final Exam Period) 50% Covering October 27 – December 1 (Ch. 8-16)

Each **three-hour** exam is comprised of multiple choice questions, with the Final Exam being **NON-CUMULATIVE**.

COURSE SCHEDULE: Although you should read the assigned chapters for each week in line with what is written below—in order not to fall behind and then have to cram for the exams—some topics will be presented in more detail than others in class and will thus sometimes continue into a subsequent lecture. There may be some slight changes made to the schedule; any such changes will be discussed ahead of time in class and stated on Blackboard.

CLASS	TOPIC	OTHER DETAILS
Sept. 15	Introduction to Personality Theories & Psychoanalysis	Chapters 1 & 2
Sept. 22	Psychoanalysis Continued & Neopsychoanalysts: Analytical Psychology	Chapters 2 (cont'd) & 3
Sept. 29	Neopsychoanalysts: Analytical Psychology cont'd & Interpsychic Theories	Chapters 3 (cont'd) & 4
Oct. 6	Neopsychoanalysts: Interpsychic Theories cont'd & Psychoanalytic Social Psych	Chapters 4 (cont'd) & 5
Oct. 13	Ego Analytic Psychology & Object Relations	Chapters 6 & 7
OCT. 20	MIDTERM EXAM	CHAPTERS 1 - 7
Oct. 27	Behaviour and Learning Theories: Experimental Analysis of Behaviour	Chapter 8
Nov. 3	Behaviour and Learning Theories cont'd: Social Learning Theories	Chapter 9
Nov. 10	Dispositional & Biological Theories: Traits/Factor Analysis/Genes/Evolution	Chapters 10 & 11
Nov. 17	Dispositional & Biological Theories cont'd: Biological Traits	Chapters 11 (cont'd) & 12
Nov. 24	Humanistic & Existential Theories	Chapters 13 & 14
Dec. 1	Cognitive Theories: Personal Constructs & Cognitive-Behavioural Theories	Chapters 15 & 16

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