

Course Outline
 University of Toronto Scarborough College
 Clinical Psychopharmacology: PSY D35 H
 Winter Semester 2011

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Course Text: *A, Primer of Drug Action, 12th Edition. (2010)*
 Authors: Julien, R.M., Advokat, C. & Comaty, J. New York: Worth Publishers
 ISBN-13: 978-142-920-679-2

Lectures: Mondays: 10:10– 12:00 P.M.

Location: Bladen Wing 516

<u>Week</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Chapter(s)</u>
<i>Basics of Pharmacology</i>		
1. January 10	Philosophy of Science, Psychology & Psychopharmacology	Readings Provided
2. January 17	Pharmacokinetics: The body's effect on drugs	1
3. January 24	Pharmacodynamics: How drugs effects the body	2
4. January 31	Neurotransmission & Protein Synthesis	3
<i>Depressant Drugs</i>		
5. February 7	Ethyl Alcohol, Barbiturates and Antiepileptics Quiz 1 on Reading & Lectures from Weeks 1 – 4 (Chs. 1 – 3)	4 & 5
6. February 15	Benzodiazepines and 2 nd Generation Anxiolytics	6
<i>Abusable Drugs I: Stimulant Drugs</i>		
February 21	Family Day/Reading Week	
7. February 28	Cocaine, Amphetamines, Caffeine & Nicotine Quiz 2 on Reading and Lectures from weeks 4 and 5 (Chs. 4, 5 & 6)	13 & 14
<i>Therapeutic Medications</i>		
8. March 7	Antidepressant Medications	7
9. March 14	Mood Stabilizers: Treatment of Bipolar Mood Disorder	8
10. March 21	Antipsychotic Medications Quiz 3 on weeks 8 & 9 (Chs. 7 & 8)	9
<i>Abusable Drugs II: CNS Depressants</i>		
12. March 28	Cannabinoids & Substance Abuse	11 & Provided Reading
13. April 4	Wrap up & Quiz 4 on Week 12 (Ch. 11 & Provided Reading)	

Course Evaluation: Four multiple choice quizzes of ~ 50 items, each worth 25% of final grade.

Test Item Selection: Approximately 65% from the Text & Assigned Readings, and 35% from Lectures.