PSYD33H3-Y – Current Topics in Abnormal Psychology: Summer 2013

Location and Time: Tuesday 11:00-13:00, BV355

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Course Description

The goal of this course is to expose students to review some mental disorders in greater detail than is offered in introductory abnormal courses, with particular emphasis on research issues. Classes will be conducted in seminar style and students are expected to have read the assigned material prior to class. All readings are available electronically through the U of T library.

Note: Course announcements will generally be made through Blackboard. Please monitor the course website and your University email address regularly for important announcements.

Course Evaluation:

- Five Position Papers worth 18% each = 90% of final grade
- 10 Quizzes worth 1% each = 10% of final grade

Description of Position Papers and Due Dates

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<td>1. Do analogue samples in depression research advance meaningfully our knowledge of depression and its treatment?</td>
<td>May 21st</td>
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<td>2. Are placebo trials in depression treatment studies ethical?</td>
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<td>3. Are RCT designs in psychotherapy research essential and exclusively necessary to advance ESTs?</td>
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<td>4. Should the Five Factor Model of Personality replace the current personality disorder system in DSM-5?</td>
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<td>5. Should Watson’s quantitative model of the mood and anxiety disorders replace the current system in DSM-5?</td>
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Position Papers

1. Essays are to be no longer than 8 pages, double spaced, excluding title page and reference list – all in APA style:
2. 12 point size font, Times New Roman, 1” margins all around
3. Pages must be numbered in upper right corner, excluding the title page
4. The title page must include the number of the paper and the title of the paper, i.e. “Paper #1: Do Analogue Samples in Depression Research Advance Meaningfully Our Knowledge of Depression and Its Treatment?”
5. Any deviation from this formatting will result in a one-point deduction for each format deviation (total of 5 points).

- Must complete and attach at the end of the essay the “Academic Integrity Checklist”
- Papers must be handed in at the beginning of class the day they are due. **Lateness policy:** Essays handed in later than the beginning of class on the date they are due will be deducted a full letter grade (10%) and an additional grade (10%) each day late thereafter.

- **Exceptions to Lateness policy:** There may be instances when there are exceptional circumstances where a paper is turned in late. In such cases, students must submit a request via email to Dr. Bagby (and cc: Raluca Morariu's email: rmorariu@utsc.utoronto.ca) and receive permission from him via email. If students do not follow this procedure the lateness penalty will apply. In the instance where a student is ill, the student must complete both of the following steps: (1) E-mail Dr. Bagby and cc: Raluca Morariu (rmorariu@utsc.utoronto.ca) with a notice prior to the essay deadline. (2) Present legitimate medical documentation (UTSC Student Medical Certificate completed by your doctor) to Dr. Bagby **within one week of the missed deadline.**

**Quizzes**

- Quizzes take place at the beginning of each class and will consist of two short answer questions from the readings assigned for that particular class
- The quizzes will start promptly at 11:15am and end by 11:30am
- Each quiz is worth 1% of your mark, received by answering correctly both quiz questions. No part marks will be assigned.
- There are 11 quizzes and the top 10 will be selected
- **Missing a Quiz due to illness:** You will be given the opportunity to write the missed quiz if you complete both of the following steps: (1) E-mail Dr. Bagby and cc: Raluca Morariu (rmorariu@utsc.utoronto.ca) prior to missing the quiz. (2) Provide legitimate medical documentation (UTSC Student Medical Certificate completed by your doctor) within two weeks of the missed quiz. Make-up quizzes will be arranged with Raluca Morariu.
- **Missing a Quiz due to lateness** does not qualify for make-up!

**Grading:** Any complaint about the grading on an essay or a quiz should be made in writing (typed, double spaced, no longer than one page) to Dr. Bagby **within one week of receiving the graded material** and should outline specific reasons why the grade should be changed. Students requesting re-evaluations should be aware that re-evaluations carry the possibility that a lower grade than originally assigned could result.

**Medical documentation:** Must be the UTSC Student Medical Certificate, downloaded from the University website. Any medical documentation presented must indicate the date(s) needed to be excused from course work, which must include the date of the missed essay and be signed by a medical doctor.
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**Optional Readings:**


(Note: Topic readings for position paper #3)

| June 18 | Reading week! |
| June 25 | **Dimensional Models of Personality Psychopathology**  
(QUIZ)  
**ESSAY #3 DUE**  
Readings:  
Optional readings:  
(Note: Topic readings for position paper #4) |
| July 2 | **Developmental Considerations of Personality Pathology**  
(QUIZ)  
**ESSAY #4 DUE**  
Readings:  
| July 9 | **Restructuring DSM Mood and Anxiety Disorder (Part 1 of 2)**  
(QUIZ)  
**ESSAY #5 DUE**  
Readings:  
(Note: Topic readings for position paper #5) |
| July 16 | **Restructuring DSM Mood and Anxiety Disorder (Part 2 of 2)**  
(QUIZ)  
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Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is fundamental to learning and scholarship at the University of Toronto. Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in this academic community ensures that the U of T degree that you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement, and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

Familiarize yourself with the University of Toronto’s Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters (http://www.governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/policies/behaveac.htm). It is the rule book for academic behaviour at the U of T, and you are expected to know the rules. Potential offences include, but are not limited to:

In papers and assignments:
- Using someone else’s ideas or words without appropriate acknowledgement.
- Copying material word-for-word from a source (including lecture and study group notes) and not placing the words within quotation marks.
- Submitting your own work in more than one course without the permission of the instructor.
- Making up sources or facts.
- Including references to sources that you did not use.
- Obtaining or providing unauthorized assistance on any assignment including
  - working in groups on assignments that are supposed to be individual work,
  - having someone rewrite or add material to your work while “editing”.
- Lending your work to a classmate who submits it as his/her own without your permission.

On tests and exams:
- Using or possessing any unauthorized aid, including a cell phone.
- Looking at someone else’s answers
- Letting someone else look at your answers.
- Misrepresenting your identity.
- Submitting an altered test for re-grading.

Misrepresentation:
- Falsifying or altering any documentation required by the University, including doctor’s notes.
- Falsifying institutional documents or grades.

To remind you of these expectations, and help you avoid accidental offences, I will ask you to include a signed Academic Integrity Checklist with every assignment. If you do not include the statement, your work will not be graded.

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http://www.artsci.utoronto.ca/osai/students/
Academic Integrity Checklist
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I, _______________________, affirm that this assignment represents entirely my own efforts.

I confirm that:

☐ I have acknowledged the use of another’s ideas with accurate citations.
☐ If I used the words of another (e.g., author, instructor, information source), I have acknowledged this with quotation marks (or appropriate indentation) and proper citation.
☐ When paraphrasing the work of others, I put the idea into my own words and did not just change a few words or rearrange the sentence structure.
☐ I have checked my work against my notes to be sure I have correctly referenced all direct quotes or borrowed ideas.
☐ My bibliography includes only the sources used to complete this assignment.
☐ This is the first time I have submitted this assignment (in whole or in part) for credit.
☐ Any proofreading by another was limited to indicating areas of concern which I then corrected myself.
☐ This is the final version of my assignment and not a draft.
☐ I have kept my work to myself and did not share answers/content with others, unless otherwise directed by my instructor.
☐ I understand the consequences of violating the University’s academic integrity policies as outlined in the Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters.

By signing this form I agree that the statements above are true.

If I do not agree with the statements above, I will not submit my assignment and will consult the course instructor immediately.

Student name: _________________________

Signature: _________________________

Date: __________