

PSYD33H3-F – Current Topics in Abnormal Psychology: Fall 2013

Location and Time: Tuesday 11:00-13:00, AA209

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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

<u>Paper</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
1. Are placebo trials in depression treatment studies ethical?	Sept 24 th
2. Should the Five Factor Model of Personality replace the current personality disorder system in DSM-5?	Oct 8 th
3. Do analogue samples in depression research advance meaningfully our knowledge of depression and its treatment?	Oct 22 nd
4. Are RCT designs in psychotherapy research essential and exclusively necessary to advance ESTs?	Nov 12 th
5. Should Watson's quantitative model of the mood and anxiety disorders replace the current system in DSM-5?	Dec 2 nd

Position Papers

1. Essays length is restricted to a maximum of 8 pages, double spaced, excluding title page and reference list – all in APA 6th ed. (<http://ctl.utoronto.ca/twc/apa>)
2. 12 point size font, Times New Roman, 1" margins all around
3. 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?"
4. 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: Sonya Dhillon's email: sonya.dhillon@mail.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: Sonya Dhillon's email: sonya.dhillon@mail.utoronto.ca with a notice prior to the essay deadline. (2) Present legitimate medical documentation (University of Toronto 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: Sonya Dhillon's email: sonya.dhillon@mail.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 Sonya Dhillon's email: sonya.dhillon@mail.utoronto.ca
- 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 University of Toronto 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.

Course Schedule:

Date	Topic
Sept 3	Introduction to course
Sept 10	<p>Bipolar Disorder and the Hypomanic Personality (QUIZ 1) <u>Readings:</u> <u>TBA</u> Goldberg, D.P., Andrews, G. & Hobbs, M.J. (2009). Where should bipolar disorder appear in the meta-structure? <i>Psychological Medicine</i>, 39, 2071–2081.</p> <p>Kotov, R., Ruggero, C.J., Krueger, R.F., Watson, D., Yuan, Q., Zimmerman, M. (2011). New Dimensions in the Quantitative Classification of Mental Illness. <i>Arch Gen Psychiatry</i>, 63, 1003-1011.</p>
Sept 17	<p>Use of Placebo in Psychiatric Research (QUIZ 2) <u>Readings:</u> Cadesky, E. (2001) Are Placebo-Controlled Studies Ethical in Psychiatric Research. <i>McGill Journal of Medicine</i>, 6, 56-60.</p> <p>Elliott, C., & Weijer, C. (1995 December). Cruel and unusual treatment. <i>Saturday Night</i>, 31-34.</p> <p>Glaros, A.G. (2001). A Comment on La Vaque and Rossiter. <i>Applied Psychophysiology Biofeedback</i>, 26, 61-71.</p> <p>La Vaque, T.J., & Rossiter, T. (2001). The ethical use of placebo controls in clinical research: the Declaration of Helsinki. <i>Applied Psychophysiology Biofeedback</i>, 26, 23 - 37.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #1)</p>
Sept 24	<p>Dimensional Models of Personality Psychopathology (QUIZ 3) ESSAY #1 DUE <u>Readings:</u> Clark, L.A. (2007) Assessment and Diagnosis of Personality Disorder: Perennial Issues and an Emerging Reconceptualization. <i>Annual Review of Psychology</i>, 58, 227-257</p> <p><u>Optional readings:</u> Widiger, T. A., & Trull, T. J. (2007). Plate tectonics in the classification of personality disorder: Shifting to a dimensional model. <i>American Psychologist</i>, 62, 71-83.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #2)</p>
Oct 1	<p>Using Analogue Samples in Depression Research (QUIZ 4) <u>Readings:</u> Coyne, J. C. (1994). Self-reported distress: Analog or ersatz depression? <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 116, 29-45.</p> <p>Vredenburg, K., Flett, G. L., & Krames, L. (1993). Analogue versus clinical depression: A critical reappraisal. <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 113, 327-334.</p> <p><u>Optional readings:</u> Cox, B.J., Enns, M.Q., Borger, S.C., & Parker, J.D.A. (1999). The nature of depressive experiences in analogue and clinically depressed samples. <i>Behaviour Research and Therapy</i>, 37, 15-24.</p> <p>Flett, G.L., Vredenburg, K., & Krames, L. (1997). The continuity of depression in clinical and non-clinical samples. <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 121, 395-416.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #3)</p>

Oct 8	<p>Developmental Considerations of Personality Pathology (QUIZ 5) ESSAY #2 DUE</p> <p><u>Readings:</u> Tackett, J. L., Balsis, S., Oltmanns, T. F., & Krueger, R. F. (2009). A unifying perspective on personality pathology across the life span: Developmental considerations for the fifth edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. <i>Development and Psychopathology</i>, 21, 687-713.</p>
Oct 15	<p>Reading week (no classes held)</p>
Oct 22	<p>Cross-Cultural Issues in Psychopathology (QUIZ 6) ESSAY #3 DUE</p> <p><u>Readings:</u> Chentsova-Dutton, Y.E., Chu, J.P., Tsai, J.L., Rottenberg, J., Gross, J.J., Gotlib, I.H. (2007). Depression and Emotional Reactivity: Variation among Asian Americans of East Asian Descent and European Americans. <i>Journal of Abnormal Psychology</i>, 116, 776-785.</p> <p>Ryder, A. & Chentsova-Dutton, Y.E. (2012). Depression in Cultural Context: “Chinese Somatization”, Revisited. <i>Psychiatric Clinics of North America</i>, 35, 15-36.</p>
Oct 29	<p>Validity of RCT Methodology (Part 1 of 2) (QUIZ 7)</p> <p><u>Readings:</u> Westen, D., Novotny, C. M., Thompson-Brenner, H. (2004). The Empirical Status of Empirically Supported Psychotherapies: Assumptions, Findings, and Reporting in Controlled Clinical Trials. <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 130, 631-663.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #4)</p>
Nov 5	<p>Validity of RCT Methodology (Part 2 of 2) (QUIZ 8)</p> <p><u>Readings:</u> Westen, D., Novotny, C. M., Thompson-Brenner, H. (2004). The Empirical Status of Empirically Supported Psychotherapies: Assumptions, Findings, and Reporting in Controlled Clinical Trials. <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 130, 631-663.</p> <p><u>Optional Readings:</u> Ablon, J. S., & Marci, C. (2004). Psychotherapy Process: The Missing Link: Comment on Westen, Novotny, and Thompson-Brenner (2004). <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 130, 664-668.</p> <p>Goldfried, M. R., & Eubanks-Carter, C. (2004). On the Need for a New Psychotherapy Research Paradigm: Comment on Westen, Novotny, and Thompson-Brenner (2004). <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 130, 669-673.</p> <p>Haaga, D. A. F. (2004). A Healthy Dose of Criticism for Randomized Trials: Comment on Westen, Novotny, and Thompson-Brenner (2004). <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 130, 674-676.</p> <p>Westen, D., Novotny, C. M., & Thompson-Brenner, H. (2004). The Next Generation of Psychotherapy Research: Reply to Ablon and Marci (2004), Goldfried and Eubanks-Carter (2004), and Haaga (2004). <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 130, 677-683</p> <p>Crits-Christoph, P., Wilson, G. T., & Hollon, S. D. (2005). Empirically Supported Psychotherapies: Comment on Westen, Novotny, and Thompson-Brenner (2004). <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 131, 412-417.</p> <p>Weisz, J. R., Weersing, V. R., & Henggeler, S. W. (2005). Jousting With Straw Men: Comment on Westen, Novotny, and Thompson-Brenner (2004). <i>Psychological Bulletin</i>, 131, 418-426.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #4)</p>
Nov 12	<p>Restructuring DSM Mood and Anxiety Disorder (Part 1 of 2) (QUIZ 9) ESSAY #4 DUE</p> <p><u>Readings:</u></p>

	<p>Watson, D. (2005). Rethinking the Mood and Anxiety Disorders: A Quantitative Hierarchical Model for DSM-V. <i>Journal of Abnormal Psychology</i>, 114, 522-536.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #5)</p>
Nov 19	<p>Restructuring DSM Mood and Anxiety Disorder (Part 2 of 2) (QUIZ 10) <u>Readings:</u> Clark, L. A. (2005). Temperament as a Unifying Basis for Personality and Psychopathology. <i>Journal of Abnormal Psychology</i>, 114, 505-521.</p> <p>(Note: Topic readings for position paper #5)</p>
Nov 26	<p>Conceptual & Practical Issues in the Assessment of Psychopathology (QUIZ 11) <u>Readings:</u> Ben-Porath, Y.S. (2003). Assessing personality and psychopathology with self-report inventories. In J. R. Graham and J. A. Naglieri (Eds.), <i>Handbook of psychology: Assessment psychology, Vol. 10.</i> (pp. 553-577). Hoboken, NJ, US: John Wiley & Sons</p>
Dec 2	<p>Essay #5 Due Last day to submit all coursework if you want it to be graded! No exceptions!</p>

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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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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.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____