

## PSYC22- Infancy Department of Psychology, University of Toronto Winter 2022

## **Course Description**

Infants must learn to navigate their complex social worlds as their bodies and brains undergo incredible changes. This course explores physical and neural maturation, and the development of perception, cognition, language, and social-emotional understanding in infants prenatally until preschool.

**Prerequisites:** PSYB20H3 and a PSYB-level methods course (PSYB01H3, or PSYB04H3, or PSYB70H3) and a B-level stats course (PSYB07H3, or STAB22H3, or STAB23H3) **Exclusion:** PSY316H1, PSY316H5

**Class Time:** Asynchronous; Live Recordings on Wednesdays 11:00 am- 1:00 pm\* **Privacy Statement:** Given the delivery of the course material, there will be recording of class materials and discussions.

**Duration of Classes:** January 10<sup>th</sup> to April 8<sup>th</sup> **Reading Week:** February 21<sup>st</sup>- February 25<sup>th</sup>

Class Location: Online via Zoom https://utoronto.zoom.us/j/84048463991 Meeting ID: 840 4846 3991 Passcode: Psychology

\*Classes will be filmed live on Wednesdays from 11 am- 1 pm. Students are invited, but are not required to attend lectures live.

## **Learning Outcomes**

At the end of this course, students should be able to:

- 1. Explain how physical maturation, perception, cognition, language and socialemotional and moral behavior changes from before birth to age four.
- 2. Understand the methodologies used in research with infants and very young children and how to apply these methods to new research ideas.
- 3. Examine how culture and context shape development, and how both biology and experience interact with and shape development.
- 4. Critically evaluate empirical research in developmental psychology.
- 5. Conduct a literature review and identify a novel research question to explore in developmental psychology.
- 6. Communicate these findings effectively, integrating them into developmental psychology theories and existing research and considering future directions.
- 7. Connect concepts learned in class with experiences in everyday life.

## **Our Instructional Team**

Course Instructor Anna Michelle McPhee (she/her), MSc., PhD Candidate Preferred Name: Michelle Course Email: michelle.mcphee@mail.utoronto.ca General Office Hours: Wednesdays from 10 am – 11 am or by Appointment Office Location: Zoom https://utoronto.zoom.us/j/84048463991 Meeting ID: 840 4846 3991 Passcode: Psychology



I am a fifth-year PhD candidate studying developmental psychology under the cosupervision of Dr. Mark Schmuckler and Dr. Jessica Sommerville at the University of Toronto. My research focuses on how young children start to understand different types of social affiliations. Specifically, I am interested in investigating the different types of social cues that are used by children to detect and infer kinship relationships between a mother and child, as well as the developmental trajectory of this ability.

## **Teaching Assistants**

#### Michelle Huo (she/her)

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Michelle is a fourth-year doctoral candidate in the Developmental Psychology and Education program at OISE. Michelle obtained her Honours Bachelor of Science in Psychology at the University of Toronto, St. George Campus. Her current research focuses on developing dynamic assessment tools to achieve early identification of at-risk reading status in emerging bilingual children.

#### Remsha Rana (she/her)

#### Course Email: remsha.rana@mail.utoronto.ca

I am a first-year MA student in the Developmental Psychology and Education program at the University of Toronto. My current research investigates the impact of COVID-19 on the wellbeing of high-risk populations. In the past I've been involved in researching areas of cognitive psychology, learning disabilities, and children's emotions.

### **Email Policy**

Students are encouraged to email the course instructor regarding questions or concerns about course content or to set-up a virtual meeting. Students are encouraged to make a virtual appointment or to attend office hours for more complicated matters. Emails should originate from students' designated UToronto email account. Emails will be responded to within 48 hours, excluding weekends/holidays. Emails should include "PSYC22" in the subject line.

#### **Question & Answer Sessions**

We will schedule drop-in question and answer sessions with the instructor and the TAs on Zoom throughout the term (especially right before the term test and final exam). Please check Quercus regularly for scheduling updates.

## **Course Materials and Lecture**

### **Course Website**

All registered students for the course have access to Quercus. This will serve as the class website, where all lecture slides and course materials will be posted. This will also be the site where the assignments will be submitted, and marks will be made available. Students are expected to check this website **regularly**. Important announcements will be made here. Use of the website's Discussion Board is strongly encouraged for non-private inquiries (e.g., questions about course content and the running of this course, but <u>not</u> emails reporting illness or other private matters). Students are also encouraged to answer peer questions on the Discussion Board, which is a great learning opportunity for everyone.

## **Assigned Readings**

In lieu of a required textbook, this course will use assigned readings. There are usually 2 readings a week. Readings may detail empirical research or review the literature on a specific topic. These peer-reviewed readings are the way that infancy researchers communicate with each other and stay up to date on the most current findings, but they may be difficult to get through if students are not used to reading academic papers. That's ok! It is a skill that everyone can build with practice. It is recommended to read the articles through twice, and make a few point-form notes about the purpose, hypotheses, methods, results and implications. Be sure to read the assigned readings before watching lecture each week. The readings will **NOT** be posted on Quercus. **Students will need to use their U of T library access to find these papers.** Students can search for the article through the library website (https://onesearch.library.utoronto.ca/) and use their UTORid for access. See the list of readings below.

## Lectures

Lectures will be delivered via Zoom. Students can optionally join in during lecture delivery (on Wednesdays from 11 am- 1 pm). This course, including student participation, will be **recorded** on video and will be available to students in the course for viewing remotely and after each session.

Course videos and materials belong to the course instructor, the University, and/or other sources depending on the specific facts of each situation, and are protected by copyright. In this course, students are permitted to download session videos and materials for their own academic use, but they should **not** copy, share, or use them for any other purpose without the explicit permission of the instructor.

For questions about recording and use of videos in which you appear please contact the course instructor.

## **Course Assessments and Grading**

## Quizzical: 10%

Quizzical is an educational software designed to help students engage more deeply with course materials. Students can access it via Quercus. Students will be assigned to write <u>two</u> multiple-choice questions, which will be graded and count for <u>6%</u> of their grade. These questions will be due on the <u>Sunday evening by 11:45 pm following the assigned lecture week</u>.

Students will also be expected to complete a weekly quiz for <u>8</u> out of the 10 lectures for the remaining <u>4%</u>. These quizzes must be completed by <u>Wednesday evening by 11:45 pm two</u> <u>weeks after each lecture week</u> (see course schedule). To get full participation credit, at least 10 questions must be completed, and the average grade on all questions must be at least 70%. More detailed instructions will be available on Quercus.

### **Research Proposal: 35% (See Breakdown Below)**

#### **Reading Reflection: 10%**

Select one of the 22 assigned readings for the course. This brief reflection should be between 500 and 600 words. Students will be expected to briefly summarize the reading, critique it, and explore questions for future directions. A full rubric and details will be available on Quercus. This assignment will be due via Quercus **Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> by 11:59 pm (Week 3)**. Collaboration is strictly prohibited.

#### **Annotated Bibliography: 10%**

Building on the reading reflection assignment, students will be asked to develop a research question for a research proposal. The question must address an unexplored topic in developmental psychology. Students will be asked to find 5 references (in addition to the selected article for the reading reflection) related to the research question. Students will be asked to outline their research question, include APA citations for the 5 selected articles using APA 7<sup>th</sup> edition format, and write 2-3 sentences per reference describing how the selected article relates to their research question. A detailed rubric and further instructions will be posted on Quercus. This assignment will be due via Quercus <u>Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> by 11:59 pm (Week 7)</u>. Collaboration is strictly prohibited.

#### **Research Proposal: 15%**

Students will be required to create a brief research proposal that will expand upon their annotated bibliography. The purpose of the research proposal will be to further examine a topic in developmental psychology and to propose the 'next steps' for moving the field forward.

Students have two options:

- 1) Written Research Report for a Scientific Audience
- 2) Science Podcast for a General Audience (audiovisual)

With both formats, students will be expected to review the literature, introduce the research question, outline the hypotheses, discuss the significance and implications, real-world applications, and future directions. Students will also be expected to submit a written reference section (using APA 7<sup>th</sup> edition format). When choosing between the two formats, students are encouraged to consider which exercise might be more useful in their future career path. Rubrics and more details about the assignment will be available on Quercus. This assignment will be due via Quercus **Wednesdav, April 6<sup>th</sup> by 11:59 pm (Week 12).** Collaboration is strictly prohibited.

## Term Test & Final Exam: 55% total (See Breakdown Below)

There will be one term test and a final exam. The term test and final exam will be held inperson. More details about these assessments will be posted on Quercus. The registrar will be scheduling the term test and final exam, so stay tuned to the Class Announcements for more details.

Term Test (25%): This test will cover lecture and readings from Weeks 1 to 5.

Final Exam (30%): This test will cover lecture and readings from Weeks 1 to 12 (with a focus on Weeks 6-12).

Date & Week #	Topic & Assigned Readings	Evaluation
Jan. 12 <sup>th</sup> Week 1	Prenatal Development	
	Kisilevsky, B. S., Hains, S. M., Lee, K., Xie, X., Huang, H., Ye, H. H., & Wang, Z. (2003). Effects of experience on fetal voice recognition. <i>Psychological Science</i> , 14(3), 220–224. https://doi.org/10.1111/1467- 9280.02435	
	Dudek, J., Colasante, T., Zuffianò, A., & Haley, D. W. (2020). Changes in cortical sensitivity to infant facial cues from pregnancy to motherhood predict mother–infant bonding. <i>Child Development</i> , <i>91</i> (1), e198-e217. https://doi.org/10.1111/cdev.13182	
Jan. 19 <sup>th</sup> Week 2	Perceptual Narrowing	
	Hwang, H. G., Debnath, R., Meyer, M., Salo, V. C., Fox, N. A., & Woodward, A. (2020). Neighborhood racial demographics predict infants' neural responses to people of different races. <i>Developmental Science</i> , Article e13070. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.13070	
	Maurer, D., & Werker, J. F. (2014). Perceptual narrowing during infancy: A comparison of language and faces. <i>Developmental Psychobiology</i> , <i>56</i> (2), 154–178. https://doi.org/10.1002/dev.21177	
Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup> Week 3	Motor Development	Quizzical Quiz 1 Due Wednesday, Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup>
	Han, D., & Adolph, K. E. (2020). The impact of errors in infant development: Falling like a baby. <i>Developmental Science</i> , Article e13069. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.13069	Reading Reflection Assignment Due
	Hym, C., Forma, V., Anderson, D. I., Provasi, J., Granjon, L., Huet, V., & Barbu-Roth, M. (2020). Newborn crawling and rooting in response to maternal breast odor. <i>Developmental Science</i> , Article e13061. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.13061	Wednesday, Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup>
Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Week 4	Cognitive Development	Quizzical Quiz 2 Due Wednesday, Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Dunn, K., & Bremner, J. G. (2020). Investigating the social environment of the A-not-B search task. <i>Developmental Science</i> , 23(3), Article e12921. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.12921	······, / = -··· =
	Yott, J., & Poulin-Dubois, D. (2012). Breaking the rules: Do infants have a true understanding of false belief? <i>British Journal of Developmental</i> <i>Psychology</i> , 30, 156-171. https://doi.org/10.1111/j.2044- 835X.2011.02060.x	

# **Course Schedule & Readings**

Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup> Week 5	Communication & Language	Quizzical Quiz 3 Due Wednesday, Feb. 9 <sup>th</sup>	
Week 5	<ul> <li>Donnellan, E., Bannard, C., McGillion, M. L., Slocombe, K. E., &amp; Matthews, D. (2020). Infants' intentionally communicative vocalizations elicit responses from caregivers and are the best predictors of the transition to language: A longitudinal investigation of infants' vocalizations, gestures and word production. <i>Developmental Science</i>, 23(1), Article e12843. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.12843</li> </ul>	() cullesuuy, 1 co. 5	
	Kandhadai, P., Danielson, D. K., & Werker, J. F. (2014). Culture as a binder for bilingual acquisition. <i>Trends in Neuroscience and Education</i> , 3(1), 24–27. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tine.2014.02.001		
Feb. 16 <sup>th</sup>	TERM TEST*	Quizzical Quiz 4 Due	
Week 6	Pending Registrar Scheduling*	Wednesday, Feb. 16 <sup>th</sup>	
	Covering Lectures and Readings from Weeks 1 to 5		
Feb. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Reading Week		
Mar. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Week 7	Emotion & Temperament	Quizzical Quiz 5 Due Wednesday, Mar. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
	Tang, A., Crawford, H., Morales, S., Degnan, K. A., Pine, D. S., & Fox, N. A. (2020). Infant behavioral inhibition predicts personality and social outcomes three decades later. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of</i> <i>Sciences</i> , 117(18), 9800-9807. https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1917376117	Quizzical Quiz 6 Due Wednesday, Mar. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
	Addabbo, M., Vacaru, S. V., Meyer, M., & Hunnius, S. (2020). 'Something in the way you move': Infants are sensitive to emotions conveyed in action kinematics. <i>Developmental Science</i> , 23(1), Article e12873. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.12873	Annotated Bibliography Due Wednesday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Mar. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Social & Moral Development- Part I		
Week 8	Nagy, E., Pilling, K., Orvos, H., & Molnar, P. (2013). Imitation of tongue protrusion in human neonates: Specificity of the response in a large sample. <i>Developmental Psychology</i> , 49(9), 1628–1638. https://doi.org/10.1037/a0031127		
	Lucca, K., Pospisil, J., & Sommerville, J. A. (2018). Fairness informs social decision making in infancy. <i>PLoS One</i> , <i>13</i> (2), e0192848. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0192848		
Mar. 16 <sup>th</sup> Week 9	Social & Moral Development- Part II	Quizzical Quiz 7 Due Wednesday, Mar. 16 <sup>th</sup>	
week 9	Hamlin, J. K., Wynn, K., & Bloom, P. (2007). Social evaluation by preverbal infants. <i>Nature</i> , 450, 557-560. http://dx.doi.org/10.1038/nature06288		
	Scarf, D., Imuta, K., Colombo, M., & Hayne, H. (2012). Social evaluation or simple association? Simple associations may explain moral reasoning in infants. <i>PLoS ONE</i> , 7(8), Article e42698. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0042698		

Mar. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Babies & Technology	Quizzical Quiz 8 Due
Week 10	Przybylski, A. K., & Weinstein, N. (2019). Digital screen time limits and young children's psychological well-being: evidence from a population-based study. <i>Child Development</i> , <i>90</i> (1), e56-e65. https://doi.org/10.1111/cdev.13007	Wednesday, Mar. 23 <sup>rd</sup>
	Myers, L. J., LeWitt, R. B., Gallo, R. E., & Maselli, N. M. (2017). Baby FaceTime: Can toddlers learn from online video chat?. <i>Developmental</i> <i>Science</i> , 20(4), e12430. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.12430	
Mar. 30 <sup>th</sup> Week 11	Current Events and Infancy- Part I	Quizzical Quiz 9 Due Wednesday, Mar. 30 <sup>th</sup>
Week II	Davenport, M. H., Meyer, S., Meah, V. L., Strynadka, M. C., & Khurana, R. (2020). Moms are not OK: COVID-19 and maternal mental health. <i>Frontiers in Global Women's Health</i> , 1, Article 1. https://doi.org/10.3389/fgwh.2020.00001	
	Fiske, A., Scerif, G., & Holmboe, K. (pre-print). Maternal depressive symptoms and early childhood temperament before and during the COVID-19 pandemic in the United Kingdom. https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/quket	
April 6 <sup>th</sup> Week 12	<b>Current Events and Infancy- Part II</b>	Quizzical Quiz 10 Due Wednesday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>
	Green, J., Staff, L., Bromley, P., Jones, L., & Petty, J. (2021). The implications of face masks for babies and families during the COVID-19 pandemic: A discussion paper. <i>Journal of Neonatal Nursing</i> , 27(1), 21-25. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnn.2020.10.005	Research Proposal Due Wednesday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>
	Singh, L., Tan, A., & Quinn, P. C. (2021). Infants recognize words spoken through opaque masks but not through clear masks. <i>Developmental</i> <i>Science, 24</i> , Article e13117. https://doi.org/10.1111/desc.13117	
April	FINAL EXAM*	
Exam Period	Pending Registrar Scheduling* Covering Lectures and Readings from Weeks 1 to 12	

Please note: The class schedule is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

## **Course Policies**

## Late Policy

There will be a <u>10% late penalty for every day an assignment is late</u>. Students will be provided with <u>2</u> 'late tickets'. One 'late ticket' will allow for one 24-hour extension to an assignment without penalty. In other words, one ticket is equal to an extension of one day. Students may apply the 'late tickets' to their reading reflection, annotated bibliography, or research proposal. 'Late tickets' may <u>not</u> be applied to Quizzical <u>nor</u> for the term tests. Students may apply their 'late tickets' to one assignment or to multiple assignments. It is important to note that students must tell the instructor via email <u>in advance of the due date</u> whether they will be applying a 'late ticket' to an assignment will <u>not</u> be accepted. For work missed due to extenuating circumstances please see the Missed Term Work Policy below.

## **Academic Integrity**

Academic integrity is essential to the pursuit of learning and scholarship in a university, and to ensuring that a degree from the University of Toronto is a strong signal of each student's individual academic achievement. As a result, the University treats cases of cheating and plagiarism very seriously. The <u>University of Toronto's Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters (https://governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/system/files/2020-03/Code%20of%20Behaviour%20on%20Academic%20Matters%20July%201%202019.pdf)</u> outlines the behaviours that constitute academic dishonesty and the processes for addressing academic offences. Potential offences include but are not limited to: using someone else's

academic offences. Potential offences include but are not limited to: using someone else's ideas or words without appropriate acknowledgement, submitting one's own work in more than one course without the permission of the instructor in all courses, making up sources or facts, etc.

All suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be investigated following procedures outlined in the *Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters*. If students have questions or concerns about what constitutes appropriate academic behaviour or appropriate research and citation methods, please reach out to the course instructor. Note that students are expected to seek out additional information on academic integrity from the course instructor or from other institutional resources (for example, the University of Toronto website on Academic Integrity: https://www.academicintegrity.utoronto.ca).

Normally, students will be required to submit their course essays to the University's plagiarism detection tool for a review of textual similarity and detection of possible plagiarism. In doing so, students will allow their essays to be included as source documents in the tool's reference database, where they will be used solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism. The terms that apply to the University's use of this tool are described on the Centre for Teaching Support & Innovation web site (https://uoft.me/pdt-faq).

## Accommodations

The University provides academic accommodations for students with disabilities in accordance with the terms of the Ontario Human Rights Code. This occurs through a

collaborative process that acknowledges a collective obligation to develop an accessible learning environment that both meets the needs of students and preserves the essential academic requirements of the University's courses and programs.

Students with diverse learning styles and needs are welcome in this course. If students have a disability that may require accommodations, students are free to approach the course instructor and/or the Accessibility Services <u>https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/ability/</u> office.

### Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

The University of Toronto is committed to equity, human rights and respect for diversity. All members of the learning environment in this course should strive to create an atmosphere of mutual respect where all members of our community can express themselves, engage with each other, and respect one another's differences. U of T does not condone discrimination or harassment against any persons or communities.

### Land Acknowledgement

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit River. Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.

### **Centre for Teaching and Learning**

The Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) is available to support students in their writing, English language, math and stats, and professional development needs. It offers online tutoring and consultations and has a variety of helpful online resources. For more information, please visit CTL's Academic Learning Support site at http://uoft.me/AcademicLearningSupport.

### **Mental Wellness**

It is not uncommon for university students to experience a range of health and mental health issues that may result in barriers to achieving their academic goals. The University of Toronto offers a wide range of services that may be of assistance. Students are encouraged to seek out these resources early and often.

Student Mental Health Resource: <a href="https://mentalhealth.utoronto.ca">https://mentalhealth.utoronto.ca</a> On Campus: Students' college Registrar's Office, and / or Dean of Students' Office Student Life - <a href="http://www.studentlife.utoronto.ca">http://www.studentlife.utoronto.ca</a> Health and Wellness Centre: <a href="http://www.studentlife.utoronto.ca/hwc">http://www.studentlife.utoronto.ca/hwc</a> Campus Police: (416) 978-2222 Off-Campus: Good2Talk - a post-secondary (24/7) helpline (1-866-925-5454).

## **Psychology Department Missed Term Work Policy, WINTER 2022**

For missed term work (assignments and term tests) due to illness, emergency, or other mitigating circumstances, please follow the procedures outlined below.

- The following reasons are not considered sufficient for missed term work: travel for leisure, weddings, personal commitments, work commitments, human error.
- Missed Final Exams are handled by the Registrar's Office and should be declared on eService: <u>http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/registrar/missing-examination</u>
- Instructors cannot accept term work any later than five business days after the last day of class. Beyond this date, you would need to file a petition with the Registrar's Office: <a href="https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/registrar/term-work">https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/registrar/term-work</a>

#### Accommodations for Illness or Emergency:

For missed work due to ILLNESS OR EMERGENCY, complete the following **three-step** process:

- 1. Complete the <u>Request for Missed Term Work Accommodations Form</u>
- 2. Declare your absence on <u>ACORN</u> (Profile & Settings > Absence Declaration)
- Email both the Request for Missed Term Work Accommodations Form <u>AND</u> a screenshot of your Self-Declared Absence on <u>ACORN</u> to the email address provided by your instructor on the course syllabus (<u>michelle.mcphee@mail.utoronto.ca</u>) <u>WITHIN 2 BUSINESS DAYS</u> of the missed work.

<u>Note:</u> If you are unable to submit your documents within 2-business days, you must still email your instructor (Anna Michelle McPhee: <u>michelle.mcphee@mail.utoronto.ca</u>) within the 2-business day window to explain the nature of the delay, and when you will be able to provide your documents. Exceptions to the documentation deadline will only be made under exceptional circumstances.

*Note:* For this semester, we do not require any additional supporting documentation (e.g. medical notes) to support your missed term work accommodation request.

#### Accommodations for Academic Conflicts:

For missed term work due to an ACADEMIC CONFLICT (i.e. two midterms scheduled at the same time), please complete the following process:

- 1. Complete the <u>Request for Missed Term Work Accommodations Form</u>, choosing "Other" and explaining the conflict in the space provided.
- 2. Take screenshots of your course homepages that demonstrate the conflict.
- 3. Email the form and screenshots to your course instructor **at least two weeks (10 business days) before the date of the activity,** or as soon as possible if it was not possible to identify the conflict earlier.

<u>Note:</u> Multiple assignments due on the same day are <u>not</u> considered conflicts. Accommodations may only be possible in the case of quizzes and tests that are both scheduled during the same discrete period. Back-to-back tests/quizzes are <u>not</u> considered conflicts.

<u>Note:</u> Students are responsible for keeping their course timetables conflict-free. Students who choose to register in two synchronous courses with overlapping lecture/tutorial/lab schedules will not be accommodated.

#### Accommodations for Religious Conflicts:

For missed term work due to a RELIGIOUS CONFLICT, please complete the following process:

- 1. Complete the <u>Request for Missed Term Work Accommodations Form</u>, choosing "Other" and noting "Religious conflict" in the space provided.
- 2. Email the form to your course instructor at least two weeks (10 business days) before the date of the activity, or as soon as possible if it was not possible to identify the conflict earlier.

#### Accommodations for Students Registered with AccessAbility Services:

For missed *TERM TESTS* due to ACCESSABILITY REASONS:

• **Contact your AccessAbility consultant** and have them email your instructor detailing accommodations required.

For missed ASSIGNMENTS due to ACCESSABILITY REASONS:

- If your desired accommodation is **within the scope** of your Accommodation Letter (e.g. your letter includes "extensions of up to 7 days" and you need 3 days):
  - 1. Complete the <u>Request for Missed Term Work Accommodations Form.</u>
  - 2. Email the form and your **Accommodation Letter** to your instructor, specifying how many days extension you are requesting.
- If your desired accommodation is **outside the scope** of your Accommodation Letter (e.g. your letter includes "extensions of up to 7 days" but you need more time than that):
  - 1. **Contact your AccessAbility consultant** and have them email your instructor detailing the accommodations required.

#### Accommodation Procedure:

After submitting your documentation, you will receive a response from your instructor or TA. This form does not guarantee that you will be accommodated. The course instructor reserves the right to decide what accommodations (if any) will be made. Failure to adhere to any aspect of this policy may result in a denial of your request for accommodation. You are responsible for checking your official U of T email and Quercus course announcements daily, as accommodations may be time-critical.

For missed assignments, **do not wait for an instructor response to resume work on your assignment**. Extension accommodations may be as short as one business day, depending on the nature of the illness/emergency. You should complete your assignment as soon as you are able and email it your instructor.

For an anticipated event (e.g. scheduled surgery or an illness with a prolonged recovery period), submit a <u>Verification of Illness Form</u> completed by your doctor, AND this form to your instructor if you would like to request accommodations in advance of the assignment deadline or midterm date. **Declare your future absence on <u>ACORN</u>** (absences can be declared up to 14 days in the future).

#### **Missed Accommodations**

If an accommodation is granted but a continued illness/emergency prevents you from meeting the requirements of your accommodation, you must <u>repeat</u> the missed term work procedure to request additional accommodations. Please make it clear in your subject line that you are requesting a second accommodation. For example, if you are given an extension but are still sick and need more time, or if you miss a <u>make-up</u> midterm, you must submit another request 'Missed Term Work Accommodations' form and declare your extended absence on ACORN. \*\*\*Note: In the case of a missed make-up test, an opportunity to write a second make-up test may not be provided.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Scale</u>

Numerical Marks	Letter Grade	Grade Point Value
90 - 100%	A+	4.0
85-89%	А	4.0
80 - 84%	A-	3.7
77-79%	B+	3.3
73 - 76%	В	3.0
70 - 72%	B-	2.7
67 - 69%	C+	2.3
63 - 66%	С	2.0
60 - 62%	C-	1.7
57 - 59%	D+	1.3
53 - 56%	D	1.0
50 - 52%	D-	0.7
0-49%	F	0.0