

Course Requirements for Hybrid Class

SKILLS EXPECTED

This course is designed for students who have strong writing, reading, research and computer skills. It aims to prepare students for a liberal arts education in psychology.

ATTENDANCE & DROP POLICY

You must be officially enrolled in the class in order to participate in all class activities. Your participation in all class activities will be integrated into your final grade. Therefore, regular attendance is expected during on-campus class meetings and attendance in the form of meeting online schedules. Students with more than three absences may be dropped from the class (including late online attendance). Any student that leaves class early will be counted as absent. If you plan on being absent for more than three days please talk to me. Attendance includes full participation in all group work activities and online activities. Students are responsible for dropping their courses. If you do not officially withdraw (through Admissions & Records) from this course, you will receive a letter grade at the end of the term.

CLASS FORMAT

This is a hybrid class that combines both a traditional setting in the classroom and online instruction via the Internet. The class will be meeting in SAB 227 (Behavior Modification 11:00 & 12:30) and SAB 25 (Sensation Perception 3:30), 1 1/4 hours per week. Orientation week and Finals week will require 3 hours of class. The other 1 1/4 hours will consist of various online-based activities. Note that reading and preparing are not included in the allocated hours. As with any class, these activities are expected of you above and beyond the required meeting times. Second, you will be creating public written discussions in the form of blogs, electronic journals, Etc. There will be SEVERAL weekly deadlines outlined on the assignment instruction sheet available on our class webpage. I will do my best to communicate these, however it is ultimately your responsibility to locate and complete the assignments.

LATE ASSIGNMENTS

All blogs MUST be published on the class blog site (www.psychologicalscience.com/bmod , or www.psychologicalscience.com/perception) before the due date midnight. Failure to do so may result in a considerably lower grade for the assignment. You are required to have Internet access at home or on campus. Basic computer and internet proficiency is required. If you have never worked with computers or the Internet, this may not be the class for you. Additionally, this is not a computer class. Therefore, basic computer skills instruction is not part of the curriculum.

DECORUM

The online portion of the class involves interacting with student colleagues. You are expected to extend the same courtesies and social politeness as you would in class. Observe netiquette and be aware of how your behaviors affect others while online.

PARTICIPATION

Class Participation: I may call upon you at any time. When I call upon a student, I do not do so to embarrass or to humiliate, but to engage in a thoughtful discussion with a fellow adult to illuminate aspects of a case or problem that merit attention. My goal is always to hone your analytical skills and to enhance your understanding. I will address you respectfully as an aspiring professional; you are entitled to no less. In return, I expect you to answer thoughtfully. Despite careful preparation, you may answer incorrectly; that should come as no surprise given the difficulty of the subject matter. Recognize now that there is no shame in being wrong. We may sometimes disagree; that is as it should be given that many questions I will ask do not admit of a certain answer. I value your views and welcome dissent.

Adapted from <http://nsulaw.nova.edu/faculty/syllabi/Employment%20Discrimination%202009%20Syllabus.pdf>