

# DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY Faculty of Arts

Course numberPsyc739 Course Name Personality Fall 2021

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# **Course Description and Objectives**

This seminar course is designed to familiarize students with theory and research on the general area of personality. We will broadly cover basic issues in personality research such as the measurement and structure of personality. Throughout the course, emphasis will be placed on the critical evaluation of theory and research, as well as on their implications for practice in applied settings

## **Acknowledgments and Respect for Diversity**

Our classrooms view diversity of identity as a strength and resource. Your experiences and different perspectives are encouraged and add to a rich learning environment that fosters critical thought through respectful discussion and inclusion. The Department of Psychology would also like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region in southern Alberta. The City of Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region III.

#### **Course Format**

This is an in-person class held on campus

## **Prerequisites**

Psyc 639

## **Required Texts and Readings**

None

#### **Assessment Methods**

Class Participation: 10%

Students are responsible for doing assigned reading and should be prepared to discuss regarding the materials.

Term Paper: 35%

Students will be required to write a paper on a topic of their choosing. The paper must address an issue of relevance to the course content. Students must consult with the instructor concerning the topic and the nature of the treatment. Among the options available are integrative/critical literature reviews and research proposals. The papers are due one week following the final class and should be approximately 15 - 20 double-spaced typed pages plus title page, abstract, references, tables, and figure.

In-Class Presentation: 20%

The last 3 weeks of the course has been reserved for student presentations. These presentations will normally be based on research conducted for the term paper. Students are responsible for assigning readings one week in advance of their presentations and must consult at least once with the instructor prior to their presentation to discuss teaching the topic to the class, and leading class discussion.

Exam: 35%

Three-hour open book exam on DEC 16 (1:00 PM – 4:00 PM). Exam format: Short and long answer questions (Open book)

Materials to be covered: articles and lecture covered in the class.

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#### **Faculty of Graduate Studies Grading System**

A+ = Outstanding performance, A = Excellent performance, A- = Very good performance

B+ = Good performance, B = Satisfactory performance, B- = Minimum pass

C+ All grades of "C+" or lower are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements. Individual programs may require a higher passing grade

## **Grading Scale**

A+	96-100%	B+	80-84%	C+	67-71%	D+	54-58%
Α	90-95%	В	76-79%	С	63-66%	D	50-53%
A-	85-89%	B-	72-75%	C-	59-62%	F	0-49%

To determine final letter grades, final percentage grades will be rounded up or down to the nearest whole percentage (e.g., 89.5% will be rounded up to 90% = A but 89.4% will be rounded down to 89% = A-).

## Schedule

# Week 1. Sep 13: Organizing Meeting

# Week 2. Sep 20: Personality Constructs

Riemann, R., Angleitner, A., & Strelau, J. (1997). Genetic and environmental influences on personality: A study of twins reared together using the self-and peer report NEO-FFI scales. *Journal of Personality*, 65(3), 449-475.

Kandler, C., Zimmermann, J., & McAdams, D. P. (2014). Core and surface characteristics for the description and theory of personality differences and development. *European Journal of Personality*, 28(3), 231-243.

Paunonen, S. V., & O'Neill, T. A. (2010). Self-reports, peer ratings and construct validity. *European Journal of Personality*, *24*(3), 189-206.

## 3. SEP 27: Psychometrics/Measurement Issues

McCrae, R. R., Kurtz, J. E., Yamagata, S., & Terracciano, A. (2011). Internal consistency, retest reliability, and their implications for personality scale validity. *Personality and social psychology review*, 15(1), 28-50.

Hopwood, C. J., & Donnellan, M. B. (2010). How should the internal structure of personality inventories be evaluated?. *Personality and Social Psychology Review*, *14*(3), 332-346.

Ashton, M. C., De Vries, R. E., & Lee, K. (2017). Trait variance and response style variance in the scales of the Personality Inventory for DSM-5 (PID-5). *Journal of Personality Assessment, 99,* 192-203.

# 4. OCT 4: Personality Structure I – Big Five and HEXACO

Ashton, M. C., Lee, K., & De Vries, R. E. (2014). The HEXACO Honesty-Humility, Agreeableness, and Emotionality factors: A review of research and theory. *Personality and Social Psychology Review, 18*, 139-152.

Thielmann et al. (in press). European Journal of Personality

Hilbig, B. E., & Zettler, I. (2015). When the cat's away, some mice will play: A basic trait account of dishonest behavior. *Journal of Research in Personality*, *57*, 72-88.

Zettler, I., Hilbig, B. E., & Heydasch, T. (2013). Two sides of one coin: Honesty–Humility and situational factors mutually shape social dilemma decision making. *Journal of Research in Personality*, *47*(4), 286-295.

## 5. OCT 11: Thanksgiving Day – No class

## 6. OCT 18: Personality Structure II: (1) Higher-order factors? (2) Debates?

DeYoung, C. G. (2006). Higher-order factors of the Big Five in a multi-informant sample. *Journal of personality and social psychology*, *91*(6), 1138.

Ashton, M. C., Lee, K., Goldberg, L. R., & de Vries, R. E. (2009). Higher-order factors of personality: Do they exist? *Personality and Social Psychology Review*, *13*, 79-91.

Ashton, M. C., & Lee, K. (2020). Objections to the HEXACO model of personality structure—And why those objections fail. *European Journal of Personality*, *34*(4), 492-510.

Lee, K., & Ashton, M. C. (2020). Why Six Factors, Why It Matters. *European Journal of Personality*, *34*(4), 562-590.

## 7. OCT 25: Dark Personality & Sex differences in Personality

Moshagen, M., Hilbig, B. E., & Zettler, I. (2018). The dark core of personality. Psychological Review, 125, 656–688.

Schreiber, A., & Marcus, B. (2020). The place of the "Dark Triad" in general models of personality: Some meta-analytic clarification. *Psychological Bulletin*, *146*(11), 1021.

Lee, K., & Ashton, M. C. (2020). Sex differences in HEXACO personality characteristics across countries and ethnicities. *Journal of personality*, 88(6), 1075-1090.

## 8. NOV 1: Values and politics

Lee, K., Ashton, M. C., Choi, J., & Zachariassen, K. (2015). Connectedness to nature and to humanity: Their association and personality correlates. *Frontiers in Psychology, 6,* 1003.

Lee, K., Ashton, M. C., Ogunfowora, B., Bourdage, J. S., & Shin, K-H., (2010). The personality bases of socio-political attitudes: The role of Honesty-Humility and Openness to Experience. *Journal of Research in Personality, 44,* 115-119.

Ogunfowora, B. (2014). The impact of ethical leadership within the recruitment context: The roles of organizational reputation, applicant personality, and value congruence. *The Leadership Quarterly*, 25(3), 528-543.

Thielmann, I., & de Vries, R. E. (2021). Who wants to change and how? On the trait-specificity of personality change goals. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

## 9. NOV 15: Faking and social desirability

Feldman, G., Lian, H., Kosinski, M., & Stillwell, D. (in press). Frankly, we do give a damn: The relationship between profanity and honesty. *Social Psychological and Personality Science* 

de Vries, R. E., Zettler, I., & Hilbig, B. E. (2014). Rethinking trait conceptions of social desirability scales: Impression management as an expression of honesty-humility. *Assessment*, *21*(3), 286-299.

Morgeson, F. P., Campion, M. A., Dipboye, R. L., Hollenbeck, J. R., Murphy, K., & Schmitt, N. (2007). Reconsidering the use of personality tests in personnel selection contexts. *Personnel psychology*, *60*(3), 683-729.

10. NOV 22: Student Presentations

10. NOV 29: Student Presentations

11. DEC 6: Exam

## Absence From A Test/Exam

Makeup tests/exams are **NOT** an option without the approval of the instructor. Students who miss a test/exam have up to 48 hours to contact the instructor to ask for a makeup test/exam. It's the instructor's discretion if they will allow a make-up exam. Students who do not schedule a makeup test/exam with the instructor within this 48-hour period forfeit the right to a makeup test/exam. At the instructor's discretion, a makeup test/exam may differ significantly (in form and/or content) from a regularly scheduled test/exam. Once approved by the instructor a makeup test/exam must be written within 2 weeks of the missed test/exam on a day/time scheduled by the instructor. If a student cannot write their final exam on the date assigned by the Registrar's Office, they need to apply for a deferred exam https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred-exams.

#### **Travel During Exams**

Consistent with University regulations, students are expected to be available to write scheduled exams at any time during the official December and April examination periods. Requests to write a make-up exam because of conflicting travel plans (e.g., flight bookings) will NOT be considered by the department. Students are advised to wait until the final examination schedule is posted before making any travel arrangements. If a student cannot write their final exam on the date assigned by the Registrar's Office, they need to apply for a deferred exam <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred-exams.">https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred-exams.</a> Students with an exceptional extenuating circumstance (e.g., a family emergency) should contact the Department of Psychology (psyugrd@ucalgary.ca).

Reappraisal of Graded Term Work http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html

Reappraisal of Final Grade http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html

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#### **Important Dates**

The last day to drop this course with no "W" notation and still receive a tuition fee refund is Thursday, September 16, 2021. Last day add/swap a course is Friday, September 17, 2021. The last day to withdraw from this course is Thursday, December 9, 2021.

https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html#fall2017