

**UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY**

**PSYC 435e/563 (A01)
Adult Development and Aging**

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COURSE DESCRIPTION	
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This combined undergraduate/graduate seminar is designed to review theory and research on psychological processes during adulthood and aging. Specific topics include memory, intelligence, personality, coping and adjustment, and wisdom. Attention is also given to the biological, socio-cultural, and historical contexts of these developments.

COURSE PREREQUISITES	
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Prerequisites for PSYC 435e include PSYC 300A/B, PSYC 339, and PSYC 335 (or PSYC 336).

There are no official prerequisites for PSYC 563. However, class participation and successful completion of the course assignments presupposes some knowledge of lifespan developmental psychology. If you have no previous experience in this field, please contact me to discuss your background. I would be happy to provide suggestions for supplementary reading material that will prepare you for concepts and topics that we will discuss in class.

COURSE FORMAT AND LEARNING GOALS	
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The class is structured as an advanced honours/graduate seminar; the format presupposes that you have read the relevant material *prior to attending* class. This seminar on adult development and aging is specifically designed to promote learning through dialogue and sharing of ideas. During each meeting, we will hold in-depth discussions of issues (e.g., definitions of constructs, methodological approaches and problems, theoretical strengths and weaknesses) with the goal of forming conclusions about a given week's topic, rather than on the presentation of information to be recalled at a later date. Given the emphasis on interactive learning, the success of the course is predicated upon our lively exchanges. I invite each of you to participate in group discussions to your fullest extent -- your perspective is important to the collective learning experience! As detailed in the *evaluation* section of the syllabus, opportunities will be provided to further enhance both your written and spoken skills.

Upon completion of the course, my goal is for you to achieve the following learning outcomes:

1. to better understand the major characteristics and changes relevant to psychological functioning during adulthood and aging and to be able to communicate this knowledge to professionals and members of the community
2. to be able to apply “critical thought” (i.e., evaluate an issue from different perspectives, identify limitations or confounding factors) to topics related to development during adulthood and aging, and to work as a group to evaluate ideas.
3. to enhance your communication skills (e.g., sharing ideas with others, explaining psychological concepts, critical thinking, presentation skills) and confidence when speaking among your peers
4. to further develop your scientific writing (e.g., synthesizing ideas from numerous articles), and in particular your ability to (a) write a critical review of a key topic on development during adulthood and aging and (b) form your own conclusions about select topics in the literature (as opposed to summarizing views of others)

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS	
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As noted, your contributions to class discussions are required to achieve the learning outcomes. Thus, I expect you to attend class. Should circumstances prevent your attendance, please inform me. If you are unable to submit a written assignment on the specified date due to illness, accident, or family affliction, you should inform me as soon as possible, preferably in advance. Under normal circumstances, I will arrange for a brief extension of the deadline. If you are unable to complete the required course work within the term, you should apply to the Associate Dean, Undergraduate Studies (PSYC 435e) or the Dean of Graduate Studies (PSYC 563) for permission to receive a grade of INC (Incomplete). I would also appreciate it if you would inform me in advance (if possible) of your situation. If an INC is granted, I will arrange an extension of the assignment deadline consistent with the deferral agreement.

You are expected to abide by the University’s policy on plagiarism and cheating (*see pp. 14-16 of this syllabus*).

COURSE REGISTRATION	
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You are personally responsible for checking your registration status before the end of the course-add period (Friday, September 23, 2022). Please verify and confirm your registration status with me as, according to University policy, I am unable to facilitate a course addition after this date even if you have been attending class. If you are on the waitlist, you will be expected to attend the first class and to express your formal interest in registering. The waitlist order will be modified pending your attendance in the first class and subsequent meeting with me (i.e., registration preference will be afforded to students who attend the first class). Also note that Monday, October 31, 2022 is the last day for officially withdrawing from PSYC 435e/563 without academic penalty. University policy states that failing to attend lectures does not constitute official withdrawal.

EVALUATION	
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Evaluation of your progress toward the course objectives will be based upon several graded requirements including your: (a) class participation, (b) weekly email and/or forum questions, (c) performance as seminar

facilitator (435e) or leader (563), (d) review paper outline, and (e) written review paper. The expectations and rationale for each are briefly outlined below.

Class Participation and Weekly Email Questions

Reading and reflecting upon assigned articles prior to class is essential; I ask that each of you come to class prepared for a critical discussion of each week's topic. Observations from the readings, questions about the readings, and related personal observations are all relevant. To facilitate weekly group discussions, I also ask that each of you circulate several (2-3) interesting questions by email to each class member 48 hours prior to class (*I will compile a list of email addresses and circulate them shortly after the first class*). Rather than rote repetition of the content that you read, the questions should instead address theoretical, methodological, or applied issues. I am excited about learning each of your personal observations, comments, and questions on the weekly readings. In evaluating your class participation, I will consider attendance, the level of participation (e.g., poses and answers questions, builds on others' views, shows creativity), and regular circulation of email questions prior to class. Please note that submitting your questions 2 days in advance is not intended as a burden, but rather a courtesy to facilitate seminar leader planning (*see below*) for that week.

Seminar Facilitator/Leader

You will be asked to serve in the role of *seminar facilitator (435e) or leader (563)* for one of the weekly sessions. **During the first class, a sign-up list will be circulated for you to choose your topic and presentation date.**

As seminar leader (563), you will be expected to:

- (1) lead the entire 3-hour seminar for the weekly topic/theme that you have selected. Your oral presentation may focus on: (a) identifying key issues related to the topic of the class, (b) summarizing some of the major conclusions that have been drawn to date in this area of investigation, and (c) proposing questions/controversies that remain to be addressed both in research and as a focus for our discussion. *It is expected that you will consult literature beyond the assigned readings in developing this presentation.* Please note that the oral presentation need not be continuous (e.g., feel free to integrate summary and discussion, as well as the assistance of your PSYC 435e seminar facilitator (see section below)).
- (2) to use questions as well as your own critical insights to facilitate group discussion of the issues identified in your oral presentation.
- (3) to employ strategies that ensure lively group discussion and debate. This may involve application of a number of strategies such as asking the group to respond to one or more of the submitted questions, asking the group to generate a list of items, splitting the group into sub-groups to argue opposing theoretical positions, or dividing the group into several small groups with instructions to generate positions or questions and report back.
- (4) to guide and moderate the discussion as required. The goal is to provide guidance to the group so that major points are covered and the discussion does not become too tangential.

As seminar facilitator (435e), you will be expected to:

- (1) make a brief (e.g., 25-30 minute) oral presentation that overviews some aspect (e.g., summarizing key findings or theories, identifying controversies) of the weekly topic/theme that you have selected. You should plan to coordinate closely with the assigned seminar leader (563), or co-presenting seminar facilitators (435e), for your week. Please note that your presentation may take many forms (e.g., a conference-style presentation, a facilitated debate or small group discussion, etc.) – feel free to present the information in any way that will effectively support learning.
- (2) together with the seminar leader, contribute to facilitating many of the same learning outcomes listed above (for the seminar leader).

This assignment is intended to promote your spoken communication skills. Seminar facilitator/leader evaluation will be based on the ability to synthesize and present key information as well as your ability to effectively guide group discussion.

Outline for Review Paper

The first written assignment is a brief (2-3 page) outline of the assigned review paper (*see below*). The purpose of this assignment is twofold: (a) to have you *choose* one of the topics from the course on which to base your final review paper, and (b) to *facilitate early progress* on writing the review paper to reduce demands on your time during the busy end-of-term period. This assignment is intended to emulate the planning and reflection required to produce effective scientific writing. Performance will be evaluated on (a) your ability to identify key issues and controversies for the topic, (b) the relevance of scientific and review articles that you intend to cite (choose 5-6 citations and reference using APA format), and (c) your own novel identification of strengths/weaknesses of the literature in this area.

The outline for the review paper is due on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2022.

Review Paper

For the primary writing assignment, I am asking you to write an analytic review of a theory or body of research from the list of course syllabus topics. The review of your chosen topic should include an organized overview of theoretical issues and controversies, a synthesis of empirical findings, and a synopsis for future research in the area. Your focus will be to synthesize and critique a body of research, as opposed to merely summarizing what has been said by others. By way of example, the format of the review can be structured according to the style adopted in various publications (e.g., *Psychological Bulletin*, *Developmental Review*) and edited volumes (e.g., *The Handbook of Cognitive Aging*). Your review will require a detailed search of the literature on your chosen topic. The review must be typed with citations referenced using APA style. The length of the review should be around 17-20 double-spaced pages, excluding references, figures, and tables.

I am aware that some individuals would prefer to write a final exam because the amount of time spent is in some sense finite relative to the time that a review paper requires. Please do not attempt to provide the most comprehensive review imaginable! Instead, evaluation will be based on your: (a) ability to review and synthesize the most pertinent information, (b) capacity for critical thinking and making novel arguments, and (c) writing style.

Your review paper is due on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2022. You will be awarded additional credit if you hand in your review by this date.

Grading

I have purposely employed several forms of evaluation in recognition that each of you have individual learning styles. Your grade for the course will be based on both written and spoken contributions, providing you the best opportunity to demonstrate your many abilities. Further, to minimize anxiety associated with individual projects that count toward a large percentage of your grade, I have specifically chosen to parse evaluation into smaller components. Your workload should not increase, but rather be more evenly dispersed across the term.

1. Class discussion = 15%
2. Weekly email questions = 5%
3. Seminar facilitator/leader = 30%
4. Outline for review paper = 10%

5. Review paper = 40%

Graded course requirements will be weighted and aggregated to yield a percentage score. The final letter grade in the course will be based on total percent score rounded up at values of .5 or greater (e.g., 89.5 will be rounded up to 90, but 89.4 will not). Final grades will be assigned according to the following scale: 90-100% = A+; 85-89 = A; 80-84 = A-; 77-79 = B+; 73-76 = B; 70-72 = B-; 65-69 = C+; 60-64 = C; 50-59 = D; 0-49 = F.

WEEKLY TOPICS AND ASSIGNED READINGS	
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There is no required textbook for this class. In lieu, I carefully selected seminal review and original research articles that outline a given week's theme (e.g., background concepts, existing controversies) and that set the stage for group discussions and seminar presentations. Where possible, I have selected articles with opposing viewpoints.

Overview of Dates and Topics

8 September	Introduction to the Course: A Life Span Perspective (class leader assignments)
15 September	Positive Aging and Adaptation
22 September	Aging in Context
29 September	Brain and Processing Resources
6 October	Attention, Memory, and Language
13 October	Intelligence and Knowledge
20 October	Subjective Cognitive Decline, Dementia, and Alzheimer's Disease (outline due next week -- Oct 27)
27 October	Personality
03 November	Emotional Regulation and Perceived Control
10 November	<i>No Class (Reading Break)</i>
17 November	Identity and Self Concept
24 November	Stress and Coping
01 December	Moral Reasoning and Wisdom (last day of classes)
02 December	Final Paper Due

Readings

The required readings will consist of selected chapters and articles. Many of these articles are available online through the UVic library website or PsycINFO.

Reading Assignments

The required readings for each class are identified by an asterisk (*). Additional readings relevant to the topic are also listed. These are included as potential entry point references to assist you in preparing for your role as seminar facilitator/leader, or as resources for the written assignments.

Weekly Themes and Reading List

SEPTEMBER 8

Introduction to the Course: A Lifespan Perspective

Course focus, syllabus and requirements

Baltes, P. B., & Smith, J. (2003). New frontiers in the future of aging: From successful aging of the young old to the dilemmas of the fourth age. *Gerontology, 49*, 123-135.

Baltes, P. B. (2003). On the incomplete architecture of human ontogeny: Selection, optimization, and compensation as foundation of developmental theory. In U. M. Staudinger & U. Lindenberger (Eds.), *Understanding human development: Dialogues with lifespan psychology* (pp. 17-43). Norwell MA: Kluwer.

Baltes, P. B., Lindenberger, U., & Staudinger, U. M. (2006). Life-span theory in developmental psychology. In W. Damon & R. M. Lerner (Eds.), *Handbook of child psychology: Vol. 1. Theoretical models of human development* (6th ed., pp. 569-664). New York: Wiley.

SEPTEMBER 15

Positive Aging

*Ryff, C. D., Magee, W. J., Kling, K. C., & Wing, E. H. (1999). Forging macro linkages in the study of psychological well-being. In C. D. Ryff & V. W. Marshall (Eds.), *The self and society in aging processes* (pp. 247-278). New York: Springer.

*Baltes, M. M., & Carstensen, L. L. (2003). The process of successful aging: Selection, optimization, and compensation. In U. M. Staudinger & U. Lindenberger (Eds.), *Understanding human development: Dialogues with lifespan psychology* (pp. 81-104). Norwell MA: Kluwer.

*Higgs, P. et al. (2009). Not just old and sick – the ‘will to health’ in later life. *Ageing and Society, 29*(5), 687-707.

*Katz, S. & Calasanti, T. (2015). Critical perspectives on successful aging: Does it “appeal more than it illuminates”? *The Gerontologist, 55*(1), 26-33.

Hill, R. D. (2005). *Positive aging*. New York: Norton.

Freund, A. M., & Riediger, M. (2006). Goals as building blocks of personality and development in adulthood. In D. K. Mroczek & T. D. Little (Eds.), *Handbook of personality development* (pp. 353-372). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

Freund, A. M., & Baltes, P. B. (1998). Selection, optimization, and compensation as strategies of life management. Correlations with subjective indicators of successful aging. *Psychology and Aging, 13*, 531-543.

Riediger, M., Li, S-C, & Lindenberger, U. (2006). Selection optimization, and compensation as developmental mechanisms of adaptive resource allocation: Review and preview. In J. E. Birren & K. W. Schaie (Eds.), *Handbook of the psychology of aging* (6th ed., pp. 289-314). San Diego: Academic Press.

Schulz, R., & Heckhausen, J. (1996). A life-span model of successful aging. *American Psychologist, 51*, 702-714.

SEPTEMBER 22**Aging in Context**

*Fry, C. L. (1996). Age, aging, and culture. In R. H. Binstock & L. K. George (Eds.), *Handbook of aging and the social sciences* (4th ed., pp 117-136). San Diego: Academic Press.

*Alwin, D. F., & McCammon, R. J. (2003). Generations, cohorts, and social change. In J. T. Mortimer & M. J. Shanahan (Eds.), *Handbook of the life course* (pp. 23-49). New York: Academic Press.

*Olshansky, S. J., Carnes, B. A., & Grahn, D. (1998). Confronting the boundaries of human longevity. *American Scientist*, 86, 52-61.

*Crimmins, E.M. (2015). Lifespan and Healthspan: Past, Present, and Promise. *Gerontologist*, 55, 901–911, doi:10.1093/geront/gnv130

Kirkwood, T.B.L. (2003). Age differences in evolutionary selection benefits. In U. M. Staudinger & U. Lindenberger (Eds.), *Understanding human development: Dialogues with lifespan development* (pp. 45-57). Boston: Kluwer.

Amoss, P. T., & Harrell, S. (1981). Introduction: An anthropological perspective on aging. In P. T. Amoss & S. Harrell (Eds.), *Other ways of growing older* (pp. 1-24). Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.

Elder, G. H., Jr. (1995). The life course paradigm. Social change and individual development. In P. Moen, G. H. Elder, Jr., & K. Luscher (Eds.), *Examining lives in context: Perspectives and the ecology of human development*. (pp. 101-139). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

Alwin, D. F. (1995). Taking time seriously: Studying social change, social structure, and human lives. In P. Moen, G. H. Elder, Jr., & K. Luscher (Eds.), *Examining lives in context: Perspectives and the ecology of human development*. (pp. 211-262). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

Borchelt, M., Gilberg, R., Horgas, A. L., & Geiselman, B. (2001). On the significance of morbidity and disability in old age. In P. B. Baltes & K. U. Mayer (Eds.), *The Berlin Aging Study: Aging from 70 to 100* (pp. 403-429). New York: Cambridge University Press.

SEPTEMBER 29**Brain and Processing Resources**

*Dennis, N. A., & Cabeza, R. (2008). Neuroimaging of healthy cognitive aging. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 1-54). New York: Psychology Press.

*Anstey, K. (2008). Cognitive aging and functional biomarkers: What do we know, and where to from here? In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.327-339). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Wilson, R. S. (2008). Neurological factors in cognitive aging. In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.298-307). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

- Finch, C. E., & Zelinski, E. (2005). Normal aging of brain structure and cognition: Evolutionary perspectives. *Research in Human Development, 2*, 69-82.
- Albert, M. S. (2008). The neuropsychology of the development of Alzheimer's disease. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 97-132). New York: Psychology Press.
- Grady, C. L. (2006). Cognitive reserve in healthy aging and Alzheimer disease: Evidence for compensatory reorganization of brain networks. In Y. Stern (Ed.), *Cognitive reserve: Theory and applications* (pp.264-283). New York: Taylor & Francis.
- Park, D. C. (2000). The basic mechanisms accounting for age-related decline in cognitive function. In Park, D. C. & N. Schwarz (Eds.), *Cognitive aging* (pp. 3-22). Philadelphia: Psychology Press.
- Verhaeghen, P., & Cerella, J. (2008). Everything we know about aging and response times. A meta-analytic integration. In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.134-150). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Hartley, A. (2006). Changing role of the speed of processing construct in the cognitive psychology of human aging. In J. E. Birren & K. W. Schaie (Eds.), *Handbook of the psychology of aging* (6th ed., pp. 183-207). San Diego, CA: Elsevier.
- Hultsch, D. F., Strauss, E., Hunter, M. A., & MacDonald, S.W.S. (2008). Intraindividual variability, cognition, and aging. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 491-556). New York: Psychology Press.

OCTOBER 6

Attention, Memory, and Language

- *Kramer, A. F., & Madden, D. J. (2008). Attention. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 189-250). New York: Psychology Press.
- *Old, S. R., & Naveh-Benjamin, M. (2008). Age-related changes in memory: Experimental approaches. In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.151-167). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- *Antoniou, M. (2019). The Advantages of Bilingualism Debate. *Annual Review of Linguistics, 5*, 1.1-1.21. DOI: 10.1146/annurev-linguistics-011718-011820
- McDaniel, M. A., Einstein, G. O., & Jacoby, L. L. (2008). New considerations in aging and memory: The glass may be half full. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 251-310). New York: Psychology Press.
- Burke, D. M., & Shafto, M. A. (2008). Language and aging. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 373-444). New York: Psychology Press.
- Dixon, R. A., Rust, T. B., Feltmate, S. E., & Kwong See, S. (2007). Memory and aging: Selected research directions and application issues. *Canadian Psychology, 48*, 67-76.

Sliwinski, M. J., Hofer, S. M., Hall, C., Buschke, H., & Lipton, R. B. (2003). Modeling memory decline in older adults: The importance of preclinical dementia, attrition, and chronological age. *Psychology and Aging, 18*, 658-671.

Hertzog, C., & Hultsch, D. F. (2000). Metacognition in adulthood and old age. In F.I.M. Craik & T. A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (2nd ed., pp. 417-466). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

OCTOBER 13

Intelligence and Knowledge

*Ackerman, P. L. (2008). Knowledge and cognitive aging. In F.I.M. Craik & T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The handbook of aging and cognition* (3rd ed., pp. 445-490). New York: Psychology Press.

*Hertzog, C., Kramer, A. F., Wilson, R. S., & Lindenberger, U. (2009). Enrichment effects on adult cognitive development: Can the functional capacity of older adults be preserved and enhanced? *Psychological Science in the Public Interest, 9*, No. 1, 1-65.

*Gheysen, F., et al (2018). Physical activity to improve cognition in older adults: can physical activity programs enriched with cognitive challenges enhance the effects? A systematic review and meta-analysis. *International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity, 15*, 63.
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s12966-018-0697-x>

*Shenk, D. (2017). What is the Flynn Effect, and how does it change our understanding of IQ? *WIREs Cognitive Science, 8*:e1366. doi: 10.1002/wcs.1366

Schaie, K. W. (2008). Historical processes and patterns of cognitive aging. In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.368-383). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Salthouse, T. A. (2009) When does age-related cognitive decline begin? *Neurobiology of Aging, 30*, 507-514.

Nilsson, L-G., Sternäng, O., Rönnlund, M., & Nyberg, L. (2009). Challenging the notion of an early-onset of cognitive decline. *Neurobiology of Aging, 30*, 521-524.

Berg, C. A. (2008). Everyday problem solving in context. In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.207-223). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Charness, N., & Krampe, R. T. (2008). Expertise and knowledge. In S. M. Hofer & D. F. Alwin (Eds.), *Handbook of cognitive aging: Interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp.244-258). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Schaie, K. W. (2005). *Developmental influences on adult intelligence: The Seattle Longitudinal Study*. New York: Oxford University Press.

OCTOBER 20

Subjective Cognitive Decline, Dementia, and Alzheimer's Disease

Subjective Cognitive Decline

*Rabin, L.A. et al. (2015). Subjective Cognitive Decline in Older Adults: An Overview of Self-Report Measures Used Across 19 International Research Studies. *Journal of Alzheimers Disease*, 48, S63–S86. doi:10.3233/JAD-150154

Mild Cognitive Impairment: Diagnostic Precursor to AD or Diverse Entity?

*Gauthier, S., & Touchon, J. (2005). Mild cognitive impairment is not a clinical entity and should not be treated. *Archives of Neurology*, 62, 1164-1166.

*Petersen, R.C., & Morris, J.C. (2005). Mild cognitive impairment as a clinical entity and treatment target. *Archives of Neurology*, 62, 1160-1163.

*Tuokko, H.A., & McDowell, I. (2006). An overview of mild cognitive impairment. In H.A. Tuokko and D.F. Hultsch (Eds.), *Mild cognitive impairment: International perspectives*. (pp. 3-28). New York: Taylor & Francis.

Predictors of Dementia Risk

*Jack, C. R., Knopman, D. S., Jagust, W. J., Petersen, R. C., Weiner, M. W., Aisen, P. S., ... Trojanowski, J. Q. (2013). Update on hypothetical model of Alzheimer's disease biomarkers. *Lancet Neurology*, 12(2), 207–216. doi.org/10.1016/S1474-4422(12)70291-0

*Wang, H-X., MacDonald, S.W.S., Dekhtyar, S., & Fratiglioni, L. (2017). Association of lifelong exposure to cognitive-reserve enhancing factors with dementia risk: a community-based cohort study. *PLoS Medicine*, 14(3), e1002251. doi.org/10.1371/journal.pmed.1002251

Risk Reduction of Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease

*Risk Reduction of Cognitive Decline and Dementia: World Health Organization Guidelines (2019).

Is There Any Benefit to Studying Cognitive Decline Post-Dementia Onset?

MacDonald, S.W.S., Karlsson, S., Fratiglioni, L., & Bäckman, L. (2011). Trajectories of cognitive decline following dementia onset: What accounts for variation in progression. *Dementia and Geriatric Cognitive Disorders*, 31, 202–209.

****Please note that your review paper outline is due on Thursday October 27.**

OCTOBER 27

Personality

*Hooker, K., & McAdams, D. P. (2003). Personality reconsidered: A new agenda for aging research. *Journal of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences*, 58B, P296-P304.

*Digman, J. M. (1990). Personality structure: Emergence of the five-factor model. *Annual Review of Psychology*, 41, 417-440.

*Levenson, M. R., & Aldwin, C. M. (2006). Change in personality processes and health outcomes. In D. K. Mroczek & T. D. Little (Eds.), *Handbook of personality development* (pp. 423-444). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

*Roberts, B.W., Kuncel, N.R., Shiner, R., Caspi, A., & Goldberg, L.R. (2007). The power of personality: The comparative validity of personality traits, socioeconomic status, and cognitive ability for predicting important life outcomes. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 2, 313-345. doi:10.1111/j.1745-6916.2007.00047.x

Donnellan, M. B., & Lucas, R. E. (2008). Age differences in the big five across the life span: Evidence from two national samples. *Psychology and Aging*, 23, 558-566.

McCrae, R. R., & Costa, P. T., Jr. (2006). Cross-cultural perspectives on adult personality trait development. In D. K. Mroczek & T. D. Little (Eds.), *Handbook of personality development* (pp. 129-145). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

Roberts, B. W., & DelVecchio, W. F. (2000). The rank-order consistency of personality traits from childhood to old age: A quantitative review of longitudinal studies. *Psychological Bulletin*, 126, 3-25.

Friedman, H. S. (2000). Long-term relations of personality and health: Dynamisms, mechanisms, and tropisms. *Journal of Personality*, 68, 1089-1108.

Roberts, B. W., Kuncel, N. R., Shiner, R., Caspi, A., & Goldberg, L. R. (2007). The power of personality: The comparative validity of personality traits, socioeconomic status, and cognitive ability for predicting important life outcomes. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 2, 313-345.

NOVEMBER 3

Emotional Regulation and Perceived Control

*Carstensen, L. L., Fung, H. H., & Charles, S. T. (2003). Socioemotional selectivity theory and the regulation of emotion in the second half of life. *Motivation and Emotion*, 27, 103-123.

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*Lachman, M.E., Neupert, S.D., & Agrigoroaei, S. (2011). The relevance of control beliefs for health and aging. In K.W. Schaie & S.L. Willis (Eds.), *The handbooks of aging consisting of three Vols. Handbook of the psychology of aging* (p. 175–190). Elsevier Academic Press. <https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-380882-0.00011-5>

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NOVEMBER 10

No Scheduled Classes -- Reading Break

NOVEMBER 17

Identity and Self Concept

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NOVEMBER 24

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DECEMBER 1**Moral Reasoning and Wisdom**

*Staudinger, U. M., & Kunzmann, U. (2005). Positive adult personality development: *Adjustment and/or growth? European Psychologist, 10*, 320-329.

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Perry, W. G. (1968). *Forms of intellectual and ethical development in the college years*. New York: Holt, Reinhart, & Winston.

Gilligan, C. (1982). *In a different voice* (chapter 6). Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

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*****Please note that this is our final class (Tuesday, December 6th, 2022 is the last day of classes for Fall term).***

DECEMBER 2

Final review paper is due (40%).

*****The above schedule, course policies, and assignments are subject to change*****

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Department of Psychology Important Course Policy Information Winter Session 2022

Accessible Learning

The University of Victoria is committed to creating a learning experience that is as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience any barriers to learning in this course, please feel welcome to discuss your concerns with me. If you have a disability or chronic health condition, or think you may have a disability, you may also want to meet with an advisor at the [Centre for Accessible Learning](#) (CAL).

Attendance and Absences

Attendance is important. Students are expected to attend all classes in which they are enrolled. Students may be assigned a final grade of N or debarred from writing final examinations if they fail to satisfy a minimum attendance requirement set by the instructor for lectures, laboratories, online course discussions or learning activities, tutorials, or other learning activities set out in the course outline.

Medical documentation for short-term absences is **not required** (approved by Senate). Students who cannot attend due to illness are asked to notify their instructors immediately. If illness, accident, or family affliction causes a student to miss the final exam or to fail to complete any required assignment/assessment by the end of the term students are required to submit a request for academic concession (see below).

Children and Pets

If you need to bring your children or pet to class, please do not hesitate to do so. It is understood that sometimes this is necessary due to care circumstances. However, please aim to have minimal class disturbance so that student learning is not impacted.

Class Recording and Auto-Captioning Statement

The instructor may record class sessions and those recordings may be made available to all students in the class via Brightspace. If you have questions or concerns regarding class recording and privacy please contact privacyinfo@uvic.ca

Auto-generated captioning may be enabled in this course. Auto-captioning is highly error-prone, especially for specialized terminology and proper names. Students are asked to refer to the audio feed for clarification of any errors. If you find captioning errors that are offensive, please contact your instructor and/or teaching assistant so that they are aware. If you require captions as part of an academic accommodation, please contact [CAL](#).

Commitment to Inclusivity, Diversity, and Respectful Environments in the Classroom and Online

The University of Victoria is committed to providing a positive and supportive and safe learning and working environment for all its members. All members of the university community have the right to this experience and the responsibility to help *create* such an environment. The University will not tolerate racism, sexualized violence, or any form of discrimination, bullying, or harassment.

Please be advised that, by logging into UVic's learning systems or interacting with online resources and course-related communication platforms, you are engaging in a University activity.

All interactions within this environment are subject to the university expectations and policies. Any concerns about student conduct may be reviewed and responded to in accordance with the appropriate university policy.

To report concerns about online student conduct: onlineconduct@uvic.ca

Copyright

All course content and materials are made available by instructors for educational purposes and for the exclusive use of students registered in their class¹. The material is protected under copyright law, even if not marked with ©. Any further use or distribution of materials to others requires the written permission of the instructor, except under fair dealing or another exception in the Copyright Act. Violations may result in disciplinary action under the [Resolution of Non-Academic Misconduct Allegations policy \(AC1300\)](#) or the [Academic Integrity Policy](#), whichever is more appropriate for the situation.

Course Experience Survey (CES)

I value your feedback on this course. Toward the end of term, you will have the opportunity to complete a confidential course experience survey (CES) regarding your learning experience. The survey is vital to providing feedback to the instructor regarding the course and their teaching, as well as to help the department improve the overall program for students in the future. When it is time for you to complete the survey, you will receive an email inviting you to do so. If you do not receive an email invitation, you can go directly to <http://ces.uvic.ca>. You will need to use your UVic NetLink ID to access the survey, which can be done on your laptop, tablet or mobile device. You will be reminded nearer the time, but please be thinking about this important activity, especially the following three questions, during the course.

1. What strengths did your instructor demonstrate that helped you learn in this course?
2. Please provide specific suggestions as to how the instructor could have helped you learn more effectively.
3. Please provide specific suggestions as to how this course could be improved.

Disclaimer

The above schedule, policies, procedures, and assignments in this course are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances.

Grading

In classes that are based on a percentage grading scheme, the following [Undergraduate Grading Scale](#) is used

Grade	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	D	F
Percentage	90-100	85-89	80-84	77-79	73-76	70-72	65-69	60-64	51-59	< 50
GP Value	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

Rounding is only applied to the final grade and is rounded up at the 0.5% level (e.g., 84.49% is round to 84% and 84.50% is rounded to 85%).

Medical Documentation for absences

No medical documentation for short-term absences is required (Approved by Senate).

If you are seeking a Withdrawal Extenuating Circumstances or an Aegrotat grade, medical documentation may be required if relevant.

Ombudsperson and Academic Concerns

From the course calendar...

Depending on the nature of the academic matter of concern to the student, the order in which the student should normally try to resolve the matter is: first, the course instructor; second, the Chair of the department; third, the Dean of the faculty; and finally, the Senate.

If you are having an academic concern or problem that cannot be resolved with your instructor or the Department Associate Chair, you may wish to consult with the Office of the Ombudsperson (<https://uvicombudsperson.ca>). Current contact information for the office can be found here <https://uvicombudsperson.ca/contact/>.

¹ Syllabi belong to the department through which the course is administered.

Policy on Academic Integrity including Plagiarism and Cheating

The Department of Psychology fully endorses and intends to enforce rigorously the [Senate Policy on Academic Integrity](#). It is of utmost importance that students who do their work honestly be protected from those who do not. Because this policy is in place to ensure that students carry out and benefit from the learning activities assigned in each course, it is expected that students will cooperate in its implementation.

The offences defined by the policy can be summarized briefly as follows:

1. **Plagiarism.** You must make sure that the work you submit is your work and not someone else's. There are proper procedures for citing the works of others. The student is responsible for being aware of and using these procedures.
2. **Unauthorized Use of an Editor.** The use of an editor is prohibited unless the instructor grants explicit written authorization.
3. **Multiple Submission.** Only under exceptional circumstances may a work submitted to fulfill an academic requirement be used to satisfy another similar requirement. The student is responsible for clarifying this with the instructor(s) involved.
4. **Falsifying Materials Subject to Academic Evaluation.** This includes falsification of data, use of commercially prepared essays, using information from the Internet without proper citation, citing sources from which material is not actually obtained, etc.
5. **Cheating on Assignments, Tests, and Examinations.** You may not copy the work of others in or out of class; you may not give your work to others for the purpose of copying; you may not use unauthorized material or equipment during examinations or tests; and you may not impersonate or allow yourself to be impersonated by another at an examination. The Department of Psychology has a policy of not making old examinations available for study purposes. Therefore, use of old exams without the express written permission of the instructor constitutes cheating by the user, and abetting of cheating by the person who provided the exam.
6. **Aiding Others to Cheat.** It is a violation to help others or attempt to help others to engage in any of the conduct described above.

Instructors are expected to make every effort to prevent cheating and plagiarism. This may include the assignment of seating for examinations, asking students to move during examinations, requests to see student identification cards, and other measures as appropriate. Instructors also have available to them a variety of tools and procedures to check for Internet and electronic media-based cheating. In instances of suspected or actual plagiarism or cheating, instructors, following prescribed procedures, are authorized to take steps consistent with the degree of the offence. These measures will range from a zero on the test or assignment or a failing grade for the course, probation within a program to temporary or even permanent suspension from the University.

Rights of Appeal are described in the Policy on Academic Integrity in the University calendar September 2022.

The definitive source for information on Academic Integrity is the University Calendar

Other useful resources on Plagiarism and Cheating include:

1. The Ombudsperson's office: <https://uvicombudsperson.ca/academic-integrity/>
The [Office of the Ombudsperson](#) is an independent and impartial resource to assist with the fair resolution of student issues. A confidential consultation can help you understand your rights and responsibilities. The Ombudsperson can also clarify information, help navigate procedures, assist with problem-solving, facilitate communication, provide feedback on an appeal, investigate and make recommendations. Phone: 250-721-8357; Email: ombuddy@uvic.ca; Web: uvicombudsperson.ca.
2. UVic Library Resources: <http://www.uvic.ca/library/research/citation/plagiarism/>
3. UVic Library Document on **Avoiding Plagiarism**

Prerequisites

Students who remain in courses for which they do not have the prerequisites do so at their own risk. Students who complete courses without prerequisites ARE NOT exempt from having to complete the prerequisite course(s) if such courses are required for the degree program.

Program Requirements

For more information see the [UVic Calendar](#).

Registration Status

Students are responsible for verifying their registration status. Registration status may be verified using My Page, View Schedule. Course adds and drops will not be processed after the [deadlines](#) set out in the current UVic Calendar.

Students who do not attend classes must not assume that they have been dropped from a course by an academic unit or an instructor. Courses that are not formally dropped will be given a failing grade, students may be required to withdraw and will be required to pay the tuition fee for the course.

Request for Academic Concessions: In the Event of Illness, Accident or Family Affliction

Request for Academic Concession form: <http://www.uvic.ca/registrar/assets/docs/record-forms/rac.pdf>

- **What to do if you miss the final exam scheduled during the formal exam period**
Apply at Records Services for a “Request for Academic Concession”, normally within 10 working days of the date of the exam. Records Services will forward the form to the instructor. If the concession is granted, the instructor will determine how to deal with the situation (for example, a deferred exam). Where a concession is not applied for or where such application is denied, an N grade will be entered on the student’s academic record.
- **What to do if you miss an exam other than one scheduled during the formal exam period**
Do not apply at Records Services for a “Request for Academic Concession”. Instead, contact your course instructor (or designated teaching assistant) to let them know why you missed the exam. Medical documentation is not required.
- **What to do if you require additional time to complete course requirements**
Apply at Records Services for a “Request for Academic Concession”, normally within 10 working days of the end of the course. Records Services will forward the form to the instructor. If the concession is granted, the instructor will determine how to deal with the situation. Where a concession is not applied for or where such application is denied, an N grade will be entered on the student’s academic record if the missing work has been deemed required. Note, only required course components may be deferred.

Research Participation Opportunities with the Department of Psychology

The Department of Psychology offers multiple opportunities to participate in research studies over the year. Students are encouraged to learn more about the field of psychology by volunteering in these studies. Information about studies can often be found posted on notice boards around the Department as well as through our Participant Pool webpage at <https://www.uvic.ca/socialsciences/psychology/research/participants/>.

Student Support Services

[Learn Anywhere](#) is the student support portal for a full range of student academic and support services. Services include: [Centre for Academic Communication](#), [Math & Stats Assistance Centre](#), [Counselling Services](#), [Health Services](#), [Library](#), [Ombudsperson](#), and [Computer Help Desk](#)

This classroom is a trans-inclusive space

Please indicate if you have a preferred name and pronoun that you’d like to be used in the classroom. Please e-mail your instructor or your TA if you would like to discuss the climate of this classroom for trans students. Gender neutral bathrooms are available at UVic.

University of Victoria Students' Society (UVSS)

The [UVSS](#) is a social justice based non-profit run by students, for students and is entirely separate from UVic. As an undergrad student, you are already a member! We work on issues affecting students such as affordability, public transit, sexualized violence, sustainability, student employment, and much more. We fund clubs and course unions, and have several advocacy groups. We also have a Food Bank and Free Store, a Peer Support Centre, and run your health and dental plan. We are here to support you, so please reach out to us at uvss.ca!

Academic Important Dates

Winter session - first term (September – December)

Wednesday, Sept 7 th	First term classes begin for all faculties
Monday, Sept 19 th	Day of Mourning - Queen Elizabeth II (No Classes)
Tuesday, Sept 20 th	Last day for 100% reduction of tuition fees for standard first term and full year courses 50% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date.
Friday, Sept 23 rd	Last day for adding courses that begin in the first term
Friday, Sept 30 th	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No Classes)
Monday, Oct 10 th	Thanksgiving Day (No Classes)
Tuesday, Oct 11 th	Last day for 50% reduction of tuition fees for standard courses 100% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date.
Monday, Oct 31 st	Last day for withdrawing from first term courses without penalty of failure
Nov 9 th - Nov 11 th	Reading Break for all faculties
Tuesday, Dec 6 th	National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women Classes and exams cancelled from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Tuesday, Dec 6 th	(Friday course schedule) Last day of classes in first term for all faculties
Dec 8 th - Dec 21 st	First-term formal examination period

Winter session - second term (January – April)

Monday, Jan 9 th	Second term classes begin for all faculties
Sunday, Jan 22 nd	Last day for 100% reduction of second term fees for standard courses 50% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date.
Wednesday, Jan 25 th	Last day for adding courses that begin in the second term
Sunday, Feb 12 th	Last day for 50% reduction of tuition fees for standard courses 100% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date.
Feb 20 th - Feb 24 th	Reading Break for all faculties
Tuesday, Feb 28 th	Last day for withdrawing from full year and second term courses without penalty of failure
Thursday, Apr 6 th	Last day of classes in second term for all faculties
Apr 11 th - Apr 26 th	Second-term formal examination period

Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response at UVic

UVic takes sexualized violence seriously, and has raised the bar for what is considered acceptable behaviour. We encourage students to learn more about how the university defines sexualized violence and its overall approach by visiting www.uvic.ca/svp. If you or someone you know has been impacted by sexualized violence and needs information, advice, and/or support please contact the sexualized violence resource office in Equity and Human Rights (EQHR). Whether or not you have been directly impacted, if you want to take part in the important prevention work taking place on campus, you can also reach out:

Where: Sexualized violence resource office in EQHR, Sedgewick C119

Phone: 250.721.8021

Email: svpcoordinator@uvic.ca

Web: www.uvic.ca/svp

BE WELL



A note to remind you to take care of yourself. Do your best to maintain a healthy lifestyle this semester by eating well, exercising, getting enough sleep and taking some time to relax. This will help you achieve your goals and cope with stress. All of us benefit from support during times of struggle. You are not alone.

Discovering Victoria, UVic and your Community:

Grad school can involve a lot of time studying and researching on your own – but it does not have to be an isolating experience. There are a lot of other grad students out there like you who are looking to connect outside of academics.

<https://www.uvic.ca/graduate/campus/student-services/index.php>

Counselling Services:

Counselling Services can help you make the most of your university experience. They offer free professional, confidential, inclusive support to currently registered UVic students. <https://www.uvic.ca/student-wellness/wellness-resources/mental-health/index.php>

Health Services:

The Student Wellness Centre also provides a full service primary health clinic for students. <https://www.uvic.ca/student-wellness/contacts/student-wellness-team/index.php#ipn-physicians>

Centre for Accessible Learning:

The CAL staff are available by appointment to assess specific needs, provide referrals and arrange appropriate accommodations <https://www.uvic.ca/graduate/campus/student-services/index.php#ipn-accessible-learning> . The sooner you let us know your needs, the quicker we can assist you in achieving your learning goals in this course.

Elders' Voices:

The Office of Indigenous Academic and Community Engagement (IACE) has the privilege of assembling a group of Elders from local communities to guide students, staff, faculty and administration in Indigenous ways of knowing and being.

www.uvic.ca/services/indigenous/students/programming/elders/

Mental Health Supports and Services:

Mental health supports and services are available to students from all areas of the UVic community: <https://www.uvic.ca/graduate/campus/student-services/index.php#ipn-health-wellness>