

**Faculty of Health
Department of Psychology
PSYC 4001 6.0 B: HONOURS THESIS WORKSHOPS FOR SPECIALIZED
HONOURS STUDENTS
Thursdays 11:30 am – 2:30 pm
2021/2022**

Course Director: Dr. Suzanne MacDonald

Class Time: Thursdays, 11:30-2:30, though Zoom sessions will mostly be from 11:30-1:00.

Place: At least in the fall term, the course will be primarily taught remotely by zoom and by material uploaded to eclass. However, we do have a classroom assigned (VC 102) and you are welcome to use it during class time if you need a quiet place to work or Zoom. We hope that in the Winter term, we can meet in person in VC 102 during regular class hours.

Office Hours: Flexible hours by appointment, by phone or zoom or email (suzmac@yorku.ca).

Course TA: Karen Black (krblack@yorku.ca)

TA Office Hour: Karen will also be available for consultation by email or individual appointments by phone or zoom.

Access course website via eclass. Go to <https://eclass.yorku.ca/> and login with your Passport York ID and password. Important course-related announcements will be posted on the course website. A much longer, detailed syllabus is posted there too.

Important information for students regarding the Ethics Review process, Access/Disability, Academic Honesty/Integrity, Student Conduct, and Religious Observance Days is available at: <http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/index-policies.html>

Recommended Text: American Psychological Association (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). <https://doi.org/10.1037/0000165-000>

Your supervisor may be okay with your use of the 6th ed of the APA manual. See difference in the reference style between 6th edition (below) and 7th edition (above):

American Psychological Association. (2010). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (6th ed.). Washington, DC: Author.



Date Topic
FALL TERM

Sept 9	NO FORMAL CLASS: Meet with your supervisor to discuss your thesis plans and ensure that you are registered in the course.
Sept 16	FIRST CLASS: Introductions, orientation to the course and doing your thesis, ethics requirements (This will be on Zoom but I will be in our classroom on campus for anyone who wishes to join me or drop in to say hello!)
Sept 23*	Completing Scholarship Applications (* optional class for those interested in working on or learning about scholarship applications)
Sept 30	Getting Started with the Introduction Section of Your Thesis
Oct 7*	Clinical Psychology and other Professional Programs/Day in the Life of a Clinical grad student (* optional class for those interested in learning about graduate school)
Oct 14	NO CLASS (Reading Week)
Oct 21	Effective Oral Presentations
Oct 28*	Preparation of Personal Statements, CVs, and Emails to Potential Supervisors (* optional class for those interested in applying to graduate school)
Nov 4	Ethics in psychological research
Nov 11	NO FORMAL CLASS: work on your proposal presentation
Nov 18	5-minute Proposal Presentations (worth 5% of final grade in course)
Nov 25	5-minute Proposal Presentations (worth 5% of final grade in course)
Dec 2	NO FORMAL CLASS: work on your proposal
Dec 20	Thesis proposal (Introduction and Method sections) due to supervisor (unless otherwise specified by your supervisor) 10% of final grade
WINTER TERM	
Jan 13, 20, 27:	Work on your data collection and analyses; Individual consultations as needed
Feb 3, 10, 17:	Work on your data collection and analyses; Individual consultations as needed
Feb 25:	READING WEEK
Mar 3	How to present research results
Mar 10	How to create and present a poster
Mar 17	Work on your data analyses and posters; Individual consultations as needed
Mar 24	Work on your data analyses and posters; Individual consultations as

needed

Mar 31

Draft Poster Presentations and Feedback (worth 5% of final grade in course)

Apr 7

Draft Poster Presentations and Feedback (worth 5% of final grade in course)

Apr 11

POSTER DAY!! (5% of final grade)

Apr 18

Thesis due to Karen (krblack@yorku.ca) to send to 2nd reader (20% of final grade)

Apr 28

FINAL THESIS due to your supervisor and suzmac@yorku.ca (50% of final grade)