

Psychology 3280 3.0: Animal Behaviour

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Course textbook: *Principles of Animal Behavior* (3rd edition, 2013) by Lee Alan Dugatkin (it is soft-cover, with a photo of penguins on the front)

EVALUATION:

Written assignments, based on field projects (3)	30%
Midterm exam (based on first half)	35%
Final exam (based on second half—not cumulative)	35%

Outline:

September 12: Introduction and principles of animal behavior (Chapter 1)
September 19: The evolution of behavior (Chapter 2)
--we will discuss how to do your assignments as well!
September 26: Sexual selection (Chapter 7)
October 3: Mating systems (Chapter 8)
October 10: Kinship (Chapter 9) and Cooperation (Chapter 10): **Assignment 1 due**
October 17: Foraging (Chapter 11)
October 24: **Midterm Exam**
October 31: Co-curricular week: **NO CLASSES**
November 7: Anti-predator behavior (Chapter 12): **Assignment 2 due**
November 14: Communication (Chapter 13)
November 21: Habitat selection, territoriality and migration (Chapter 14)
November 28: Aggression (Chapter 15)
December 5: Play (Chapter 16) and Animal Personalities (Chapter 17): **Assignment 3 due**

December Exam Period: **FINAL EXAM (35%)**