

Psychology 2110 3.0 N
Developmental Psychology
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Wednesdays, 2:30 - 5:30

Course Prerequisite(s): Course prerequisites are strictly enforced

HH/PSYC 1010 6.00 (Introduction to Psychology), with a minimum grade of C.

Course Credit Exclusions

Please refer to [York Courses Website](#) for a listing of any course credit exclusions.

Course Description

The course will survey major theories of child development, including cognitive, language, and social development. Background information about the origins of developmental psychology and brain and physical development is also included. Attention will be paid to leading theoretical positions and the features that distinguish among them.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate broad knowledge of main developmental achievements in childhood.
2. Describe and evaluate current theory and research in developmental psychology.
3. Understand and interpret principles of developmental psychology in everyday life.
4. Define causes of human development from different perspectives.

Text:

Siegler, R., Saffran, J.R., Graham, S., Eisenberg, N., DeLoache, J., & Gershoff, E. (2018). *How Children Develop. Canadian 5th Edition*. Worth Publishers: New York.

We will use a special edition for this course containing only the chapters we cover.

You have two options:

1. Hardcopy text plus Launchpad (including e-book). ISBN-13: 9781319195045
2. Launchpad only with e-book. ISBN-13:9781319066802

TO REGISTER TO LAUNCHPAD PLEASE VISIT

<https://www.macmillanhighered.com/launchpad/siegler5ecanadian/15796788>

Grading as per Senate Policy

The grading scheme for the course conforms to the 9-point grading system used in undergraduate programs at York (e.g., A+ = 9, A = 8, B+ = 7, C+ = 5, etc.). Assignments and tests* will bear either a letter grade designation or a corresponding number grade (e.g. A+ = 90 to 100, A = 80 to 89, B+ = 75 to 79, etc.)

For a full description of York grading system see the York University Undergraduate Calendar - [Grading Scheme for FW2020-21](#)

Description of Assignments and Evaluation:

20%: Midterm Test 1. This is an objective test consisting of multiple choice and short answer questions. The test will cover information from the assigned text chapters and the lectures.

30%: Midterm Test 2. This test will be similar in format to the first test. It will examine material covered **after** the first test and will not overlap in content. The answers will require more detailed understanding of the concepts than those on the first test.

30%: Final Exam. This will include multiple choice and short answer questions on **material from the entire course**.

10%: Weekly on-line **quiz** through Launchpad. Assignment will be posted following each lecture and must be completed before the next class.

10%: Weekly **learning curve** through Launchpad. These online activities guide your reading of the chapter before class and include simple test questions. These assignments will be released following the previous lecture and must be completed before the material is presented in class.

Missed Tests/Midterm Exams/Late Assignment:

For any missed tests, midterm exam or late assignments, students **MUST** complete the following online form which will be received and reviewed in the Psychology undergraduate office.

[HH PSYC: Missed Tests/Exams Form](#). Failure to complete the form within 48 hours of the original deadline will result in a grade of zero for the missed tests, midterm exam or late

assignments.

In addition, to the online form, students documented reason for a missed tests, midterm exam or late assignments such as illness, compassionate grounds, etc., MUST submit official documentation (e.g. [Attending Physician Statement](#))

Drop date:

March 12, 2021

Academic Integrity for Students

York University takes academic integrity very seriously; please familiarize yourself with [Information about the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty](#).

It is recommended that you review Academic Integrity information [SPARK Academic Integrity modules](#). These modules explain principles of academic honesty.

Test Banks

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Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities

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Policy: York University shall make reasonable and appropriate accommodations and adaptations in order to promote the ability of students with disabilities to fulfill the academic requirements of their programs.

The nature and extent of accommodations shall be consistent with and supportive of the integrity of the curriculum and of the academic standards of programs or courses. Provided that students have given sufficient notice about their accommodation needs, instructors shall take reasonable steps to accommodate these needs in a manner consistent with the guidelines established hereunder.

For Further Information please refer to: [York university academic accommodation for students with disabilities policy](#).

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Course Schedule:

January 13: Introduction to development (Chapter 1)

January 20: Biology and behavior (Chapter 3)

January 27: Theories of cognitive development (Chapter 4)

February 3: Perception, action, and learning in infancy (Chapter 5)

February 10: MIDTERM TEST 1**February 17: READING WEEK**

February 24: Development of language and symbol use (Chapter 6)

March 3: Conceptual development (Chapter 7)

March 10: Intelligence and academic achievement (Chapter 8)

March 17: MIDTERM TEST 2

March 24: Emotional development (Chapter 10)

March 31: Attachment to others and development of the self (Chapter 11)

April 7: Gender development (Chapter 15)

Final exam to be scheduled