# **Psychology 33 - Personal and Social Adjustment**

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## **Required Text:**

Weiten, W. & Lloyd, M. A. (1997). *Psychology Applied to Modern Life: Adjustment in the 90s.* Pacific Grove, CA: Brooks/Cole Publishing Company.

# **Course Objectives:**

This course is designed to:

- · provide you with an understanding of human motivation and behavior
- explore philosophical and psychological insights into what constitutes satisfactory human relationships
- encourage you to reflect upon your own behavior and relationships

## Grading:

Your grade in the course will be based on your performance on the following:

1.	Exams	(4	worth	100	pts.	each)	)
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400 pts.

2. Attendance

90 pts.

3. In-class Papers (6 worth 5 pts. each)

30 pts.

4. Autobiography

100 pts.

620 pts.

90 - 100 % = A

80 - 89.9 % = B

70 - 79.9% = C

60 - 69.9 % = D

0-59.9% = F

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class session is worth three (3) points. For courses that meet three times a week, each class period is worth two (2) points. To protect yourself against any discrepancies regarding your attendance, I encourage you to **date your lecture notes** from each class meeting.

Also, periodically you might be asked to write **brief papers in class**. The in-class papers will be graded on a **credit/no credit** basis, with each paper contributing **five points** toward your overall course points.

#### <u>Absences</u>

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School policy permits you to miss no more than the equivalent of two weeks of class. Therefore, you can have no more than six (6) absences for courses that meet three times a week, and no more than four (4) absences for courses that meet twice a week. If you miss the equivalent of two weeks of class before the official drop date, September 3, and you do not make up the absences (see below), you will be dropped from this course. Excessive absences after the official drop date can also result in your being dropped from the course.

## Making Up an Absence

It is YOUR responsibility to obtain the material you missed, and to clear your absences.

If you miss a class, I strongly suggest that you ask at least two people for their lecture notes and that you take the steps necessary to make up the absence.

A maximum of two weeks worth of absences can be made up -- six (6) for classes that meet three times a week; four (4) for classes meeting twice a week.

An absence can be made up by writing a summary and critique of an article selected by your instructor. One critique makes up for one absence. The critique must be written in paragraph form, and it must be either typed or computer-generated. Handwritten papers will not be accepted. The critique(s) must be turned in within one week of your return to school.

### **Demonstrating Satisfactory Progress:**

Students are expected to complete the assigned reading and other course assignments, attend class, be prepared to participate in class discussions and/or activities, and be able to demonstrate knowledge of the course material on exams. If, after the first two exams, a student has less than 55% of the total possible points, he or she may be dropped from the course for NOT MAKING satisfactory progress.

## **Course Schedule:**

WEEK	CHAPTER	TOPIC					
1 Aug. 16 - Aug. 20	1	Adjusting to Modern Life					
2 Aug. 23 - Aug. 27	3	Stress and Its Effects					
3 Aug. 30 - Sep. 3	4	Coping Processes					
4 Sep. 6 - Sep. 10	15	Application: Understanding and Preventing Suicide					
	(499 - 502)						
EXAM 1 - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13							
5 Sep. 13 - Sep. 17	2	Theories of Personality					
6 Sep. 20 - Sep. 24	5	The Self					
7 Sep. 27 - Oct. 1	10	Gender and Behavior					
8 Oct. 4 - Oct. 8	11	Development in Adolescence and Adulthood					
	(332 - 340)	Development in Adoleses not and Additional					
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EXAM 2 - MONDAY, OCTOBER 11							
9 Oct. 11 - Oct. 15	13	Development and Expression of Sexuality					
10 Oct. 18 - Oct. 22	11	Development in Adolescence and Adulthood					
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11 Oct. 25 - Oct. 29	12	Work and Career Development					
12 Nov. 1 - Nov. 5		•					
EXAM 3 - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8							
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13 Nov. 8 - Nov. 12	7	Interpersonal Communication					
AUTOBIOGRAPHY DU		/, NOVEMBER 15 <u>IN CLASS</u>					
14 Nov. 15 - Nov. 19	8	Friendship and Love					
15 Nov. 22 - Nov. 26	9	Marriage and Intimate Relationships					
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	292 - 296)						
17 Dec. 6 - Dec. 10	•						
FINAL EXAM -							