INDIANA TECH

Course Syllabus Cover Page – Spring 2021

Course Number: PSY 2780

Course Title: Social Psychology

Course Description:

A study of how thoughts, feelings, or behaviors of individuals are influenced by the actual, imagined, or implied presence of others. Topics include attitude formation and attitude change, prejudice and discrimination, cooperation and competition, affiliation, interpersonal attraction, aggression and violence, social perception, group influences and environmental influences on social behavior.

Prerequisites: PSY1700.

Credit hours: 3

Learning Outcomes:

Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Explain the key terms when defining social psychology as the scientific discipline that attempts to understand and explain how the thoughts, feelings, and behavior of individuals are influenced by the actual, imagined, or implied presence of others.
2. Describe the scientific techniques used when forming and testing hypothesis, conducting correlational, and experimental research designs in social psychology.
3. Discuss the development of the self, including the nature of the self, the self as a social being, and contemporary self-theories.
4. Discuss the presentation of self and social interaction as "theater", including the influence of culture and personality.
5. Identify how humans organize and make sense of social information.
6. Differentiate attitudes, both positive and negative, and how values shape attitudes and behavior.
7. Recognize prejudice and discrimination and the influence of stereotyping.
8. Differentiate types of social influence including conformity, compliance and obedience.
9. Explain theories of Aggression and identify factors that influence aggression and solutions for reducing aggression.
10. Describe factors that lead to friendship and attraction and differentiate between passionate love and companionate love.
11. Identify factors that enables close relationships as well as the factors that could lead to the termination of a relationship.
12. Recognize the factors involved in the application of Social Psychology with focus on its applicability in the legal system.

College of Professional Studies
PSY 2780 Social Psychology
Online Course Syllabus Content

Instructor Information
Please see Professor Profile at the Blackboard instructional site.

Course Schedule
Please see Course Schedule in the Course Syllabus area of the Blackboard instructional site.

Online Course Policies
All of the online courses taken by students are required to follow the policies posted online at http://online.indianatech.edu/tech-policies/policies/. Please review the posted policies carefully. If you are unable to abide by the policies listed, please contact the Warrior Information Network (WIN) at 888.832.4742 and request to withdraw from this course.

Textbook
Franzoi, S. (2006). *Social psychology* (4th ed.). New York, NY: McGraw-Hill.

Grading Events & Grading Criteria
All assignments must be submitted via Blackboard

Grade Events

Course Preparation Quiz	10 pts
4 Live Session Reflections	40 pts
Think Like a Psychologist Paper	100 pts
4 Module Essay Questions	100 pts
4 Discussion Board Questions	20 pts
Total	270 pts

Grading Rubric/Criteria

Each group of assignments has a specific rubric.   In Blackboard you will find the specifications for each assignment(s) along with the grading rubric.   The grading rubric is the standard by which I will grade your assignments

Grading Scale
The following grading scale will be used to assign a grade at the end of the course:

Percentage Achieved	Grade	Percentage Achieved	Grade	Percentage Achieved	Grade
93% or above	A	80% or above	B-	70% or above	C-
90% or above	A-	77% or above	C+	60% or above	D
87% or above	B+	73% or above	C	Below 60%	F
83% or above	B				

Late Assignments
Late assignments will not be accepted.

Incompletes
If you are unable to complete the requirements for this course due to extenuating circumstances, an Incomplete grade (I) may be granted if you meet the general guidelines stated below.

General Guidelines for submitting a course incomplete request:
- More than 50% of the course session has elapsed.
- The student has encountered an unexpected situation that is beyond his or her control.
- The student is
  - in good academic standing -- up-to-date on all of the course assignments and has at least an overall passing grade,
  - able to complete all of the remaining coursework within a session (5 weeks for a undergraduate course and 6 weeks for a graduate course) that immediately follows the session the student is currently enrolled, and
  - able to provide support documentations to substantiate the need for extra time should a session is not enough to complete the course requirements.

If an Incomplete is granted, the instructor will set a deadline for all work to be completed. **The deadline cannot go past one (1) session.** All incomplete grades are subject to approval by the designated university authority.

Course Related Communication
Online courses are conducted in an accelerated format. Timely communication is very important. When receiving emails from your classmates or instructor, please respond as soon as you can.

Students are REQUIRED to use their Indiana Tech email account for all course related communication. The most direct, and effective, way to email your course instructor and classmates, is by using the Send Email function within the Blackboard course site. When you use the Send Email function, you automatically receive a carbon copy of the email you sent. In the event when you need to substantiate your claim that you did email your

classmates or instructor, you can show that carbon copy to the person(s) who requested it.

Please note that Blackboard only permits you to send email, it does not provide you with the check email function. All of the emails your classmates and instructor send to you will be delivered to your Indiana Tech email account. You are strongly encouraged to check your Indiana Tech email account regularly, preferably several times a week, to minimize the likelihood of miscommunication.

The University policy requires each online course instructor to respond to a student's email within 24 hours. Unless there is an extraneous situation that prevents the instructor from following this rule, you can expect to hear from the instructor within 24 hours. If you don't receive a reply within 24 hours, please do not hesitate to follow up with another email or forward the carbon copy of the email you sent to OnlineSupport@IndianaTech.edu with a note "Please help. It's been 24 hours and I have not heard from my instructor" and the University support staff will act on your behalf to contact your course instructor.