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Laboratory in Social Behavior and Interpersonal Processes:
Psychology 257 Syllabus (Winter 2016)

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Updated syllabus and other course materials available on Moodle

Organization and Requirements:

Psychology 257 is intended to introduce you to general issues in research in social psychology and to selected examples of the phenomena social psychologists study, the research questions they pose, and the research methods they employ. Its means is to give you hands-on experience designing, executing, and reporting experimental studies in social psychology. The list of topics and readings below indicates what in social psychology we will be exploring. The requirements for this two-credit course include the following: attendance at laboratory sessions, completion of assigned readings in a timely manner, participation as researchers in the design and execution of course projects, submission of two (short) research reports, and construction of one (informative and engaging) research poster.

Course Topic and Reading Schedule:

- T 1/5 or Th 1/7. Research, design, and ethical issues in social psychology.
  Aronson, E., (2012). The social animal, 405-429. (CR)

- T 1/12 or Th 1/14. Studying Social Influence laboratory. Methods of studying "Obedience to Authority."
• T 1/19 or Th 1/21. *Studying Social Interaction laboratory*. Social influence laboratory also continues.


Aronson et al., *Methods of Research in Social Psychology*, 326-345. (CR)

• T 2/2 or Th 2/4. *Studying Social Relationships and Attraction laboratory.*


• T 2/9 or Th 2/11. *Studying Strategic Interaction laboratory.*


• T 2/16 or Th 2/18. *Studying Social Loafing and Social Facilitation laboratory.*


• T 2/23 or Th 2/25. *Project work session.*
• T 3/1 or Th 3/3. **Intergroup conflict.**
