

Introduction to Child Development (Psyc 2110)
University of Lethbridge
Tentative Course Outline (Summer Session, 2007)
Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00-11:50, C610

Instructor:

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Course Materials:

Required Text: "The Development of Children (5th edition)" by Michael Cole, Sheila Cole, & Cynthia Lightfoot; Worth Publishers

Evaluations:

Midterm Examination (30%)
Critical Review 1 (15%)
Critical Review 2 (15%)
Final Examination (40%)

Late assignments or missed exams will not be accepted without a medical note or a valid reason presented in advance. In the event of a valid reason, the grades for the remaining assignments may be combined (to be discussed).
Examinations are cumulative.

Critical Reviews (2 X 15% each):

You will be asked to write two brief reviews of a developmental psychology research topic based on the material you have learned in class (a more detailed handout will be provided in class).

Length: ~2 pages (double spaced): this means no more than 1.5 and no less than 2.5
References: 2 to 5 depending on the context (Peer reviewed journal articles ONLY!)
No quotes, APA style: more detail will be provided in class

Final Grading System:

90-100%	A+	85-89%	A	80-84%	A-
77-79%	B+	73-76%	B	70-72%	B-
67-69%	C+	63-66%	C	60-62%	C-
57-59%	D+	50-56%	D	<50%	F

Preliminary Schedule of Lectures: Please read the chapters prior to the corresponding lectures.

Date	Topic	Reading
May 8	Introduction: Study of Human Development	Chapter 1
May 10	Genes and the Environment	Chapter 2
May 15	Prenatal Development and Birth/ <i>Scientific Writing</i>	Chapter 3
May 17	Infant Capacities	Chapter 4
May 22	The Achievements of the First Year/ End of Infancy	Chapters 5,6
May 24	Early Experience and Language Acquisition	Chapters 7,8
May 29	Midterm Exam	Chapters 1-6
May 31	Early Thought and Social Development	Chapters 9,10
June 5	Contexts of Early Childhood	Chapter 11
June 7	Cognitive and Biological Attainments of Middle Childhood	Chapter 12
June 12	Schooling and Middle Social Development	Chapters 13,14
June 14	Biological, Social and Cognitive Attainments of Adolescence	Chapters 15,16
June 19	Review	
June 21	Final Exam	Cumulative