

Course Description

Psychology 8, Intro to Social Psychology

FALL 2011

Student Learning Outcomes:

- a.) Apply knowledge of conformity, persuasion and influence, the self, group processes, and conflict as abstracts to personal life.
- b.) Critique the historic relevance of social psychology as a sub-discipline of psychology as a science.

Social Psychology involves trying to understand the social behavior of individuals both internally (e.g., personality, mental processes) and externally (i.e., the social environment).

TEXTBOOK: Elinson & Yogi (2009). Wherever There's a Fight: How Runaway Slaves, Suffragists, Immigrants, Strikers, and Poets Shaped Civil Liberties in California.
Used: \$18.75 New: \$24.95

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

WEEK	DATE	TOPIC/THEME	ASSIGNMENTS
1	9/27-9/29	Introduction to Social Psychology / Culture & Liberty	“We the People Politics” pg 1-3 due THURSDAY Guest Speaker: Alerie, Academic Advisor
2	10/4-10/6	“The Law in Early California” Self / Influence of Culture	CHAPTER 1 “Teaching Zack to Think” due TUESDAY Autobiography due THURSDAY Guest Speaker: Will - Thursday
3	10/11-10/13	“Dissent” Censorship / Censorship & Individual	CHAPTER 6 Howard Zinn: Civil Disobedience
4	10/18-10/20	“Criminal Justice” Diversity / BART Police	CHAPTER 11 Guest Speaker: Hate Free Silicon Valley EXAM 1
5	10/25-10/27	“WWII Removal and Incarceration” Behavioral guides	CHAPTER 12 Guest Speaker: Tom Izu
6	11/01-11/03	“The Fight for Racial Equality” Cultural Antipathy / Censorship & collective	CHAPTER 4 Guest Speaker: Calvin Beckum Journal Check-in due Thursday
7	11/08-11/10	“The Rights of Workers” unions/wages/right to work/etc. Censorship & Collective (con'd) / Perception & Motivation	CHAPTER 3 Guest Speaker: Adriana Garcia Cabrera, MAIZ
8	11/15-11/17	“The Rights of Women”	CHAPTER 5 Youth Voices United for Change – Friday

9	11/22-11/24	“The Right to Free Expression” Censorship & the collective	CHAPTER 7 EXAM 2 Thanksgiving...reflection time!
10	11/29-12/1	“The Rights of Lesbians, Gay Men, Bisexuals, and Transgender People” Morality / Sexuality & Gender	CHAPTER 9 “Youth and Participation Beyond Politics”
11	12/06-12/08	“The Rights of People with Disabilities”	CHAPTER 10 Reflection due Thursday
		“The Right to Religious Freedom” Where do we go from here?	CHAPTER 8
12	12/14	FINAL - due in class on Final day	GOOD LUCK!!