Description: Social Psychology

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Student contribution band: 1
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STAFFING
Examiner: Peter Terry
Moderator: Tony Machin

REQUISITES
Pre-requisite: PSY2010

OTHER-REQUISITES
RECOMMENDED PRE-REQUISITES: STA2300 Data Analysis PSY2100 Research Methods in Psychology A PSY2110 Research Methods in Psychology B

RATIONALE
This course builds on the introductory study of social behaviour undertaken in the course Social Processes of Behaviour.

SYNOPSIS
The course consists of detailed coverage of topics in social psychology, including attitudes, nonverbal communication and social cognition. Students must be familiar with basic data analytic procedures in order to successfully complete the course.

OBJECTIVES
On completion of this course students will be able to:
1. identify major theoretical concepts in various areas of social psychology;
2. use and understand theoretical concepts and research method skills in the production of a practical report;
3. apply theories and findings to everyday problems and situations in the workbook.
## TOPICS

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<td>1. Introduction to Social Psychology. Methods of research - ethical considerations - theoretical issues.</td>
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<td>2. Social Cognition and Social Thinking - attribution theory - judgement and decision making</td>
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<td>4. Group processes - group cohesion - leadership</td>
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### TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the ‘Textbook Search’ facility at http://bookshop.usq.edu.au click ‘Semester’, then enter your ‘Course Code’ (no spaces).

Introductory Book, 2005, {PSY3020 Social Psychology} USQ Distance Education Centre, Toowoomba.

Selected Readings, 2005, {PSY3020 Social Psychology} USQ Distance Education Centre, Toowoomba.

Study Book, 2005, {PSY3020 Social Psychology}, USQ Distance Education Centre, Toowoomba.


### REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.


**STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS**

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**ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

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**NOTES**

1. See Assessment Notes.
2. Examination dates will be available during the semester. Please refer to the examination timetable when published.

**IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION**

1. Attendance requirements:
   It is the students' responsibility to attend and participate appropriately in all activities (such as lectures, tutorials, laboratories and practical work) scheduled for them, and to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration.

2. Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
To complete each of the assignments satisfactorily, students must obtain at least 50% of the marks available for each assignment.

3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
   If students submit assignments after the due date without prior approval then a penalty of 5% of the total marks available for the assignment will apply for each working day late.

4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
   To be assured of receiving a passing grade a student must submit all of the summative assessment items and achieve at least 50% of the available weighted marks for those items.

5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
   The final grades for students will be assigned on the basis of the weighted aggregate of the marks obtained for each of the summative assessment items in the course.

6 Examination information:
   In a Restricted Examination, candidates are allowed access to specific materials during the examination. The only materials that candidates may use in the restricted examination for this course are English translation dictionaries.

7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
   Any Deferred or Supplementary examinations for this course will be held during the examination period at the end of the semester of the next offering of this course. There will be no supplementary examinations in this course.

8 University Regulations:
   Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6. Assessment, and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL http://www.usq.edu.au/SECARIAT/calendar/Part5/ or in the printed version of the current USQ Handbook.

ASSESSMENT NOTES

9 The due date for an assignment is the date by which a student must despatch the assignment to the USQ. The onus is on the student to provide proof of the despatch date, if requested by the Examiner.

10 Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. This must be produced within five days if required by the Examiner.

11 The examiner may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances.

12 The Faculty will normally only accept assessments that have been written, typed or printed on paper-based media.

13 The Faculty will NOT accept submission of assignments by facsimile.

14 Students who do not have regular access to postal services or who are otherwise disadvantaged by these regulations may be given special consideration. They should contact the examiner of the course to negotiate such special arrangements.

15 In the event that a due date for an assignment falls on a local public holiday in their area, such as a Show holiday, the due date for the assignment will be the next day. Students are to note on the assignment cover the date of the public holiday for the Examiner's convenience.

16 Students who, for medical, family/personal, or employment-related reasons, are unable to complete an assignment or to sit for an examination at the scheduled time may apply
to defer an assessment in a course. Such a request must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation. One of the following temporary grades may be awarded IDS (Incomplete - Deferred Examination); IDM (Incomplete Deferred Make-up); IDB (Incomplete - Both Deferred Examination and Deferred Make-up).

17 Students will require access to e-mail and internet access to USQConnect for this course.