

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DIVISION OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
Social Science
Revision Date: 07-01-23

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number: PSYC2880
Course Title: Social Psychology
Prerequisite: PSYC 1810 or SOCI 1010
Catalog Description: Exploration of human social behavior including development and understanding of the self as a social being; social perception; attitudes and persuasion; social influence; attraction, interactions, and relationships; prosocial and antisocial behavior; and group behavior.
Credit Hours: 3.0
Class Hours: 45
Lab Hours: 0
Total Contact Hours: 45

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Course will:*

- A. Acquaint students of the major problems and issues in the discipline of social psychology.
- B. Provide students with an understanding of the forces that create group differences in patterns of social behavior.
- C. Provide students with an understanding of the dynamics of intergroup relationships, conflict and cooperation.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES

A. Student Learning Outcomes: *Student will be able to:*

- 1. Describe the role culture plays in understanding social behavior.
- 2. Explain the important features of social skills training and how they can be used to overcome social isolation.
- 3. Understand the concept of prejudice, discrimination, and stereotyping and how these terms are related to each other.
- 4. Become more involved in altruistic service to the community, especially as it relates to their academic training.

B. General Education Learning Outcomes

- 1. GELO #2: Written Communication
Outcome: Comprehend, analyze, and evaluate a given text.
Outcome: Read and write in mechanically-sound, college-level English.
- 2. GELO #3: Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
Outcome: Evaluate ideas presented in writing, medial, speech, or artistic presentations.
- 3. GELO #6: Career and Life Skills
Outcome: Develop knowledge and habits that will foster physical, emotional, social, spiritual, intellectual, and environmental wellness.

IV. CONTENT/TOPICAL OUTLINE (*course outline may provide more detailed information*)

- 1. Social Psychology as a Discipline
- 2. The Self
- 3. Social Perception
- 4. Gender
- 5. Attitudes
- 6. Persuasion and Attitude Change

7. Social Influence
8. Interpersonal Attraction
9. Intimate Relationships
10. Prejudice and Discrimination
11. Aggression
12. Prosocial Behavior: Helping Others
13. Group Behavior

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

- A. Required Text(s):
 1. Aronson, Elliot. Timothy D. Wilson, Samuel R. Sommers. *Social Psychology*, 11th Edition, Pearson, 2023. ISBN: 9780133936544.
- B. Other resources:
 1. Supplemental handouts supplied by instructor

VI. METHODS OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION

- A. Methods of presentation typically include a combination of the following:
 1. Lectures
 2. Small and large group discussion
 3. Video presentation

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION

- A. Methods of evaluation typically include a combination of the following:
 1. Attendance, class involvement, attitude
 2. Examinations
 3. Service learning project or research paper
- B. SCC GRADING SCALE

A+	95-100	C+	75-79	F	59 or less
A	90-94	C	70-74		
B+	85-89	D+	65-69		
B	80-84	D	60-64		

VIII. SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Attendance
- B. Examinations
- C. Service learning or other approved research