

# Bemidji State University

## PSY 3367: Social Psychology

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: \*.\*

Lab Hours/Week: \*.\*

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Survey of contemporary research in interpersonal perception and attraction, aggression and altruism, group dynamics, conformity, compliance, and attitude formation and change. Prerequisite: PSY 1100.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 08/25/1997 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Intro to Social Psych
2. Methods: How Social Psychologists Do Research
3. Social Cognition
4. Social Perception: Nonverbal Behavior
5. Social Perception: Attributions and Biases
6. The Social Self
7. Attitudes
8. Attitude Change/Persuasion
9. Justifying our Actions: Self Persuasion
10. Conformity and Obedience
11. Group Processes
12. Attraction and Close Relationships
13. Prosocial Behavior: Helping Others
14. Aggression
15. Prejudice
16. Social Psych in Action: Attaining and Sustainable Future
17. Social Psych in Action: Health
18. Social Psych and Law

**D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)**

1. identify and describe common research tactics in social psychology, their strengths and weaknesses
2. identify and describe basic concepts and findings about interpersonal perception, including self perception, other perception, and stereotypes and prejudice
3. identify and describe basic concepts and findings about interpersonal influence, including persuasion, conformity, compliance, obedience, and the effects of group membership.
4. identify and describe basic concepts and findings about social relations, including friendship and intimacy, helping behavior, and aggression
5. identify and describe basic concepts and findings about applied social psychology, including applications to legal practices, business and industry, and health psychology

**E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies**

None

**F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT**

As noted on course syllabus

**G. SPECIAL INFORMATION**

None noted