Psychological Testing (Fall 2020): PSCH 340 - 12228  
3 Credit Hours / Prerequisite: C or better in PSCH 242

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**BOOK, BLACKBOARD and BASIC RULES**


**Blackboard:** Course syllabus posted under **Syllabus**, homework assignments and data posted under **Homework**, PowerPoint slides posted under **Slides**, lecture recordings posted under **Recordings**, any additional course material posted under **Material**.

- **Do not disrespect or distract me or anyone else.**

- **Please indicate course number (i.e., PSCH 340) when sending emails.**

- **Emails are permanent professional records – please ensure that when you send a professional email that it is respectful.**

**DRC, CHEATING and BASIC INFO**

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**Academic Dishonesty:** Students will be held to the University’s standards on academic dishonesty: [http://dos.uic.edu/docs/Student%20Disciplinary%20Policy.pdf](http://dos.uic.edu/docs/Student%20Disciplinary%20Policy.pdf)

**Course Description:** Introduction to principles, applications and controversies of psychological assessment and standardized testing.
EVALUATION:

**All work for this course will be submitted online using blackboard

Quizzes (1 & 2): 20 pts (10 pts each)

*Students have 24 hours to complete each quiz
*Quiz grades penalized 2 points for every day late
*Quizzes are short-answer format

Homework (1-3): 30 pts (10 pts each)

*Students have 1 week to complete each homework
*Homework grades penalized 2 points for every day late

Exams (1 & 2): 150 pts (75 pts each)

*Students have 48 hours to complete each exam
*Exam grades penalized 5 points for every day late
*Exams are essay and short-answer format

EXTRA CREDIT & GRADE DISPUTES

*Extra credit may occur on quizzes and exams. No other extra points are available in this course.

*All grade disputes must be resolved within 1 week of receiving the disputed grade.

200 Total Course Points

A = 180 pts = 90%
B = 160 pts = 80%
C = 140 pts = 70%
D = 120 pts = 60%
Course Outline: 8/25/2020-12/04/2020 * Outline subject to change with advanced notice

August 25: Course Overview

August 27: Background and History
Reading: Chapter 1

September 1: Statistics for Testing
Reading: Chapter 2

September 3: Statistics for Testing continued
Reading: Chapter 2

September 8: SPSS Training 1
Homework 1 Available (Due September 15)

September 10: Correlation
Reading: Chapter 3

September 15: Correlation and Other Topics
Reading: Chapter 3
Homework 1 Due (10 pts)

September 17: QUIZ 1 (10 pts), SPSS Training 2

September 22: Reliability
Reading: Chapter 4
Homework 2 Available (Due September 29)

September 24: Reliability
Reading: Chapter 4

September 29: Validity
Reading: Chapter 5
Homework 2 Due (10 pts)

October 1: QUIZ 2 (10 pts), SPSS Training 3

October 6: EXAM 1 Available

October 8: EXAM 1 Due (75 pts)
October 13: Test Administration  
Reading: Chapter 7

October 15: Writing and Evaluating Test Items  
Reading: Chapter 6  
Homework 3 Available (Due October 22)

October 20: Test Bias  
Reading: Chapter 19

October 22: Test Bias continued  
Reading: Chapter 19  
Homework 3 Due (10 pts)

October 27: Theories of Intelligence  
Reading: Chapter 10

October 29: Theories of Intelligence: TED Talks

November 3: VOTE!!!!!!

November 5: Film

November 10: Wechsler Scales  
Reading: Chapter 10

November 12: Other Psychological Tests  
Reading: Chapter 11

November 17: Other Psychological Tests continued  
Reading: Chapter 16

November 19: Healthcare  
Reading: Chapter 15

November 24: Flex Day

November 26: Thanksgiving

December 1: EXAM 2 Available

December 3: EXAM 2 Due (75 pts)