

PSYC 3758 - Lifespan Development

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Course Description

3758. Lifespan Development. Study of theory and research on development from conception to death. Focus upon psychological, physiological, social and cultural influences. May not be taken for credit if the student has received credit for two or more of PSYC 3755, PSYC 3756, PSYC 3757. Prereq.: PSYC 1560. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Essentials of Lifespan Development	Santrock, J.	

(2025) - eBook with Connect access code.

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Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Ch. 1	Introduction	Due 8/30 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 1 CC: Nature vs. Nurture Debate CC: Operant Conditioning: Reinforcement & Punishment CC: Social Cognitive Theory CC: Scientific Method CC: Correlation CC: Independent and Dependent Variables

8/31	Ch. 2	Biological Beginnings	Due 9/6 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 2 CC: Evolutionary Theory
9/7	Ch. 3	Physical and Cognitive Development in Infancy	Due 9/13 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 3 QG: Home - Gabi (9 mos) QQ: Home - Gabi (9 mos) CC: Infant Brain Development CC: Object Permanence CC: Attention CC: Habituation
9/14	Ch. 4	Socioemotional Developmental in Infancy	Due 9/20 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 4 QG: Beach - Haruki (2 yrs old) QQ: Beach - Haruki (2 yrs old) CC: Attachment
9/21	Ch. 5	Physical and Cognitive Development in Early Childhood	Due 9/27 at 11:59pm: Proctoring Enabled: E1: Unit 1 Exam (Ch. 1-4) SB: Ch. 5 QG: Head Start - Zoe (3 yrs old) QQ: Head Start - Zoe (3 yrs old) CC: Preoperational Stage CC: Conservation Theory CC: Sociocultural Theory
9/28	Ch. 6	Socioemotional Developmental in Early Childhood	Due 10/4 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 6 QG: Halloween - Oliver (5 yrs old) QQ: Halloween - Oliver (5 yrs old)
10/5	Ch. 7	Physical and Cognitive Development in Middle and Late Childhood	Due 10/11 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 7 QG: Carnival - Abby (7 yrs old) QQ: Carnival - Abby (7 yrs old) CC: Critical Thinking and Metacognition CC: Triarchic Theory of Intelligence
10/12	Ch. 8	Socioemotional Development in Middle and Late Childhood	Due 10/18 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 8 QG: Park - James (10 yrs old) QQ: Park - James (10 yrs old)
10/19	Ch. 9	Physical and Cognitive Development in Adolescence	Due 10/25 at 11:59pm: Proctoring Enabled: E2: Unit 2 Exam (Ch. 5-8) SB: Ch. 9 QG: Museum - Rohan (13 yrs old) QQ: Museum - Rohan (13 yrs old) CC: Adolescent Brain Development
10/26	Ch. 10	Socioemotional Developmental in Adolescence	Due 11/1 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 10 QG: House Party - Kate (17 yrs old) QQ: House Party - Kate (17 yrs old)



11/2	Ch. 11 Ch. 12	Physical and Cognitive Development in Young Adulthood Socioemotional Developmental in Young Adulthood	Due 11/8 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 11 QG: Military Base - Martinez (22 yrs old) QQ: Military Base - Martinez (22 yrs old) CC: Psychosocial Theory of Development SB: Ch. 12 QG: Airport - Allison (32 yrs old) QQ: Airport - Allison (32 yrs old) CC: Triangular Theory of Love
11/9	Ch. 13 Ch. 14	Physical and Cognitive Development in Middle Adulthood Socioemotional Developmental in Middle Adulthood	Due 11/15 at 11:59pm: Proctoring Enabled: E3: Unit 3 Exam (Ch. 9-12) SB: Ch. 13 QG: Hospital - Felisha (47 yrs old) QQ: Hospital - Felisha (47 yrs old) SB: Ch. 14 QG: Casino - Harvey (59 yrs old) QQ: Casino - Harvey (59 yrs old)
11/16	Ch. 15 Ch. 16	Physical and Cognitive Development in Late Adulthood Socioemotional Developmental in Late Adulthood	Due 11/22 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 15 QG: Garden - Geraldine (72 yrs old) QQ: Garden - Geraldine (72 yrs old) SB: Ch. 16 QG: Grocery Store - Emilio (80 yrs old) QQ: Grocery Store - Emilio (80 yrs old)
11/23	Thanksgiving Break		
11/30	Ch. 17	Death, Dying, and Grieving	Due 12/6 at 11:59pm: SB: Ch. 17 Paper Submission
12/7	Finals Week		Due 12/11 at 11:59pm: Proctoring Enabled: E4: Unit 4 Exam (Ch. 13-17)

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