

Evaluation:

There are no exams in this course. However, we will have regular quizzes, and you will be required to write 2 APA publication-style research papers. In addition, you will be given and expected to complete a number of assignments throughout the semester. These assignments are intended to “exercise” some of the skills that I think are important for you to learn. Because it is not possible to complete all of your experiments and assignments in class, you should expect to devote extra time outside of class.

Final course grades will be determined by applying the following weights to the scores that you receive:

Paper 1	20%
Paper 2	20%
Oral Presentation	10%
Assignments	30%
Quizzes	15%
Attendance & Participation	5%

Important Dates:

In addition to the due dates for papers and assignments (which will be announced in class), there are some other dates to keep in kind: M 1/16, M 3/6, and W 3/8. There is no class on these dates.

Late Assignments & Papers:

Assignments and papers are due on the due date (in class, unless announced otherwise). Late work will be accepted but with a substantial penalty unless prior arrangements have been made with me and/or the TA. The penalty for all late work is one letter grade for each class session late. If an assignment is due on a Monday, for example, and you turn in the assignment after class (later that day), you will lose one letter grade. Try to turn everything in! It is better to hand something in late (for a reduced grade) than to not hand it in at all (for a zero).

Course Withdrawal, Academic Honesty, and Student Behavior:

Please consult the University Website for more detail on these policies. There are two things I will highlight though: 1) academic dishonesty (including plagiarism) will not be tolerated, and there will be severe consequences if I see either, and 2) be polite and respect others, even if you disagree with their opinions.

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