

COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY

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Short description:

The course aims to give a broad understanding of the latest findings in cognitive psychology, as well as their historical roots and current practical applications. Students will gain familiarity with the major topics of the field and consider questions such as:

- How much does talking on the telephone affect our attention whilst driving?
- Why may we forget a new telephone number soon after dialing?
- What happens in our brain when we create visual images with our eyes closed?
- How does language affect the way we see colours?
- In what way do emotions influence decisions?

Class discussion and active participation is encouraged.

Assessment:

Mid Term:

Group presentation-50%

Final requirement:

In-class exam – 50%

Attendance:

Attendance is mandatory. Students are permitted a maximum of three absences without penalty. Any additional absences will affect the final grade and may result in failure of the course.

Academic conduct:

Plagiarism is taken extremely seriously. Any instance of academic misconduct which includes: submitting someone else's work as your own; failure to accurately cite sources; taking words from another source without using quotation marks; submission of work for which you have previously received credit; working in a group for individual assignments; using unauthorized materials in an exam and sharing your work with other students, will result in failure of the assignment and will likely lead to further disciplinary measures.