

Course: Psychology 218 770/771 (Lifespan Psychology) -ONLINE SECTION-

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Cr. Hrs: 3 Credit Hours

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Prereq: PSY 100 (C or better)

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TEXT, MATERIALS & REQUIREMENTS

Contact the ECC Bookstore for textbook information: eccbookstore@elgin.edu;
847-214-7395

- **D2L Website (REQUIRED):** The course documents (syllabus, assignments, handouts, etc.) must be accessed on the internet, on our D2L course site. If you do not have access to the internet at home, we have several computer labs on campus or you can use the Psychology Lab computers in F 116.
- **Required: Frequent checking of your student** gmail is required. You are responsible for knowing information distributed through student email which may include changes in due dates.
- **Required: A stable internet connection** for taking the reading quizzes and submitting the chapter exams and essay exams. I do not recommend attempting to take quizzes on a cell phone, IPAD or tablet.
- **Required: Paying attention to D2L messages** – Make sure you pay attention to your D2L homepage for announcements about D2L downtime and D2L related technology issues (that often come up if browsers are updated before D2L is).
- **Required; Basic Computer Skills (Online):** Basic knowledge of computers, the Internet and saving and manipulating files.
- **Strongly Recommended:** When accessing D2L, I recommend using **Firefox (PC)** as your web browser. Safari is fine if you are using a MAC.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

A study of the physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development of the individual from the prenatal period through adulthood.

STUDENT OUCOMES:

1. Demonstrate familiarity with the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, and empirical findings in lifespan psychology.
2. Understand and apply basic research methods in lifespan psychology, including research design and interpretation.
3. Use critical thinking, skeptical inquiry, and the scientific approach to solve problems related to psychological processes.
4. Understand and apply psychological principles to personal, social, and multicultural issues.
5. Communicate information about topics in lifespan psychology to others both verbally and in writing.

ASSESSMENT:

Outcomes are assessed through the use of chapter quizzes, other quizzes, written online discussion based assignments and an individual presentation project.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT & PLAGIARISM— (online course)''

What is plagiarism according to Elgin Community College [emphasis added]?

Plagiarism is the presentation of another person's written words or ideas as one's own. Students are guilty of plagiarism if they submit as their own work:

- part or all of a written assignment copied from another person's manuscript or notes
- part or all of an assignment copied or paraphrased from a source, such as a book, magazine, pamphlet or electronic document, without giving **proper** documentation
- a paper purchased from any vendor
- reusing or modifying a previously submitted paper for a present assignment without obtaining prior permission from the instructors involved
- the sequence of ideas, arrangement of material, pattern of thought of someone else, even though it is expressed in the student's own words; plagiarism occurs when such a sequence of ideas is transferred from a source to a paper without the processes of digestion, integration and reorganization in the writer's mind, and without acknowledgement in the paper.

All work for this course must be original work, you cannot reuse material from any other course (including if you are retaking this course- choose different essay questions to answer!). Self-plagiarism will result in a zero or course failure.

ECC Administrative Withdrawal Policy

- Students may not withdraw themselves from class after the designated withdrawal deadlines. Students must see the dean of students (currently as per the catalog) about withdrawing after this point.
- Students who will be absent for an extended period of time (illness, military call up, , death in immediate family, involuntary transfer by one's employer, involuntary change of working hours) may qualify for administrative withdrawal. Under such conditions students must supply documentation to be administratively withdrawn for the semester. These students receive a grade of "AW" (Administrative Withdrawal) which carries no academic penalty and is not used in the calculation of the student's grade point average.
- Instructors reserve the right to withdraw students from their classes with a failing grade at any point in the semester due to plagiarism or other gross infractions. **In other words...after the withdrawal date, you cannot withdraw and I cannot withdraw you from the course. If you just procrastinate and then decide to withdraw, you will be stuck with an "F" in the course unless you can get an administrative withdrawal**