

PSY240(F): Abnormal Psychology

Spring, 2016 <> M W F 1:25 – 2:15 PM <> LC 194

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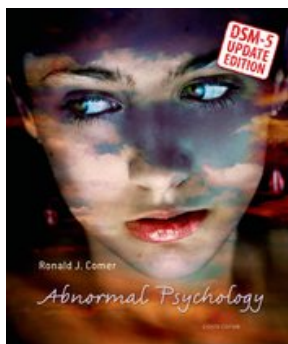
Office Hours: M W F 2:30-4:00

Text: ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY, 8th Ed. - DSM-5 Update Edition by Ronald J. Comer

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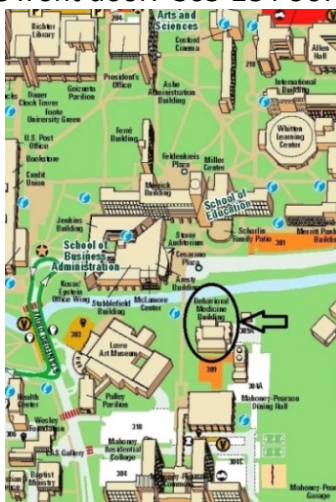
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		TOPIC	READINGS
Jan.	11	M (1) Course Introduction	
	13	W (2) What is Normal and What is Abnormal? (www.bringchange2mind.org)	1
	15	F (3) Historical Views of Disorders	1
	18	M Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (No Class)	
	20	W (4) What Causes Abnormal Behavior? – Biopsychosocial, Diathesis-Stress, etc.	Handout
	22	F (5) What Causes Abnormal Behavior? - Paradigms	3
	25	M (6) Symptoms, Episodes, Disorders & Labeling	4
	27	W (7) Clinical Assessment: Diagnosing Psychological Disorders	4
<i>Jan. 27: Last Day to Drop a Course Without a "W"</i>			
	29	F (8) Clinical Assessment: DSM (www.dsm5.org)	Handout
Feb.	1	M (9) Review for Exam #1	
	3	W (10) Exam #1 (25%) (Chapters 1, 3, 4, class discussions, handouts)	
	5	F (11) Anxiety Issues	5
	8	M (12) Anxiety Disorders / PTSD	5 & p.157-159
	10	W (13) Somatoform Issues	7
	12	F (14) Dissociative Issues	7
	15	M (15) Basics Quiz (10%) (from BASICS handout)	
	17	W (16) Issues of Mood	8
	19	F (17) Mood Disorders: Causes	8
	22	M (18) Mood Disorders: Treatment	9
<i>Feb.22-Mar.7: Midterm Reporting</i>			
	24	W (19) Schizophrenia	14
	26	F (20) Schizophrenia (cont'd)	14
	29	M (21) Schizophrenia (cont'd)	14
Mar.	2	W (22) Treatments for Severe Mental Disorders	15
	4	F (23) Review for Exam #2	
Mar. 5-13 (Sat.-Sun.) Spring Break - No Class			
	14	M (24) Exam #2 (20%) (Chapters 5, p.157-159, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, (not 16), class, handouts)	
	16	W (25) Personality Disorders	16
	18	F (26) Personality Disorders	16
	21	M (27) Exam 2A (5%) - Personality Disorders (Chapter 16, class, handouts)	
	23	W (28) Legal and Ethical Issues	19
<i>Mar. 23: Last Day to Drop a Course</i>			
	25	F (29) Legal and Ethical Issues	19
	28	M (30) Eating Disorders	11
	30	W (31) Eating Disorders (cont'd)	11
Apr.	1	F (32) Eating Disorders - Video	
	4	M (33) Substance Use and Addictive Disorders	12
	6	W (34) Substance Use and Addictive Disorders (cont'd)	12
	8	F (35) Sexual Issues	13
	11	M (36) Sexual Issues (cont'd)	13
	13	W (37) Review for Exam #3	
	15	F (38) Exam #3 (25%) (Chapters 11, 12, 13, 19, class discussions, handouts)	
	18	M (39) Disorders of Childhood	17
<i>Apr.18: Last Day to Schedule Final Exam</i>			
	20	W (40) Disorders of Childhood	17
	22	F (41) Disorders of Aging and Cognition	18
Apr. 27 - May 4 Final Exam Days. Our Final Exam (15%): Wednesday, April 27, 2016 (2:00 – 4:00 pm)			



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Please: No phone or
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Our Final Exam (15%): Wednesday, April 27, 2016 (2:00 – 4:00 pm). This test will be on the terms and concepts of the entire course based upon a STUDY GUIDE handout in Blackboard.

Handouts and other supplementary materials will be distributed on Blackboard: www.miami.edu/blackboard. Also check your e-mail for communications.

Honor Code: All students are expected to abide by the University of Miami Student Honor Code: www.miami.edu/dean-student/honor-code All examinations require the Honor Code pledge.

Attendance: I do not formally take attendance, but I do expect you to attend all classes. There will be information presented in class that is included in the exams that is not in the book or handouts. If you have to miss a class, you may have another student voice-record the class or get the notes from another student.

Examinations: There will be three regular classroom exams, one BASICS quiz, and one comprehensive final exam.

The format for exams is 2/3 from the textbook, 1/3 from lecture and handouts.

Please do not miss any of the examinations or quizzes. Make-up exams, if approved, are within one week from the original date (and somehow always turn out more difficult than the original).

Religious Days: It is the policy of the University that a student may be absent from class for any religious observance of his or her choice. The policy requires the student to declare the specific dates of absence in writing to the instructor within the first three days of class meeting.

<u>Course Grade:</u>	Classroom Examinations (3 X 25% each)	75%
	BASICS Quiz (Feb. 15)	10%
	Final Exam	15%

- 93 – 100 = A
- 90 – 92 = A-
- 87 - 89 = B+
- 83 – 86 = B
- 80 – 82 = B-
- 77 - 79 = C+
- 73 – 76 = C
- 70 – 72 = C-

If you score below 70 on any exam please make an appointment to see me after class or during office hours.