



## Shanghai University of Finance & Economics

### 2022 Summer Program

### PSY 210 Social Psychology

### Course Outline

**Course Code: PSY 210**

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**Credit: 4**

**Class Hours:** This course will have 52 class hours, including 32 lecture hours, professor 8 office hours, 8-hour TA discussion sessions, 4-hour review sessions.

#### **Course Description:**

Social psychology is the scientific study of the way people think about, feel, and behave in social situations. It involves understanding how people influence, and are influenced by, the others around them. A primary goal of this course is to introduce you to the perspectives, research methods, and empirical findings of social psychology. Topics to be covered include: social perception, social cognition, attitudes, social identity, prejudice and discrimination, interpersonal attraction, prosocial behavior, and aggression.

#### **Required Textbooks:**

Social Psychology by Elliot Aronson et al. Pearson. (10<sup>th</sup> edition)



## **Grading & Evaluation:**

Grades will be distributed as

A+:4.3——95-100

A :4.0——87-94

A -:3.7——82-86

B+:3.3——78-81

B :3.0——75-77

B -:2.7——71-74

C+:2.3——68-70

C :2.0——65-67

C -:1.7——61-64

D :1.0——55-60

E :0.0——49-54

X :0.0——0

Assignments and Essays (30%) – Use the theories (at least 4) learned from this class to explain people’s behaviors and attitudes toward COVID19. The paper has to be no less than 500 words, and APA formatted. Grades are given based on thoughtful analyses and application of the relevant theories (40%), evidence-based argument and critical thinking (40%), and overall writing and grammar (20%).

Midterm exam (35%) – will be multiple choice questions given at the end of week 2 to cover all materials previously studied.

Final exam (35%) – will be multiple choice questions given at the end of week 4 to cover all materials previously studied.

## **Course Schedule:**

### **Week 1**

Session 1: Course Introduction

Session 2: Methodology

Session 3: Social Cognition I

Session 4: Social Cognition II



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## **Week 2**

Session 1: Social Perception I

Session 2: Social Perception II

Session 3: Self

Session 4: Cognitive Dissonance

Midterm

## **Week 3**

Session 1: Attitudes and Attitudes Change

Session 2: Conformity

Session 3: Obedience

Session 4: Group Processes

## **Week 4**

Session 1: Attraction

Session 2: Prosocial Behavior

Session 3: Aggression

Session 4: Prejudice

Final Exam