

## Course Outline for PSYC2224 — Social Psychology

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Credits:	3 (3/0/0)
Description:	Meets MnTC Goal Areas 5 and 7. This course is designed to cover the issues and themes current in the field of social psychology. Examples of such issues include relational and physical aggression; the role of technology in group relations; stereotypes, prejudice and discrimination; and how group identification influences thinking and behavior. A range of psychological theories and concepts will be examined and compared historically, as well as across multiple social contexts.
Prerequisites:	(None)
Corequisites:	(None)
Competencies:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Explain the various methods in which social psychologists conduct research.</li><li>2. Explain cognitions, ingroups and outgroups within various social contexts.</li><li>3. Explain ethical and cross-cultural considerations of classic and contemporary research.</li><li>4. Evaluate contemporary social issues including technology, diversity, mental health models, age, sexuality and gender issues as they pertain to social psychology.</li><li>5. Identify and explain how social groups within the U.S. have changed over time.</li><li>6. Demonstrate knowledge of power inequality and social pressure within the social context.</li><li>7. Analyze the role and influence of aggression within the social context.</li><li>8. Explain the relationships between changes in social groups over time and current thinking and behavior within the group context.</li><li>9. Analyze personal attitudes and behaviors pertaining to various social psychology concepts and theories.</li></ol>
Goal Areas:	(5) History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences (7) Human Diversity