# -Syllabus-

# PSY 444-544 Intergroup Relations

## Semester : 2020-2021 Spring

## Type of Course: PSY

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Class hours: 3 (all classes are synchronous)

**Course description**

This course provides students with an advanced understanding of intergroup processes and relationships focusing on special topics such as social identities, majority-minority group relationships, prejudice reduction techniques, collective action, and acculturation. Departing from both theoretical and empirical research in social psychology, political psychology, and intergroup processes literatures, the course equips students with extensive knowledge in intergroup relationships and aims to provide students skills and competencies that enable them to critically discuss and generate research ideas in the field of intergroup relationships.

**Textbook:**

**Grading:**

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| A  | 90-100  |
| A-  | 85-89.99  |
| B+  | 80-84.99  |
| B  | 75-79.99  |
| B-  | 70-74.99  |
| C+  | 65-69.99  |
| C  | 60-64.99  |
| C-  | 55-59.99  |
| D+  | 50-54.99  |
| D  | 45-49.99  |
| F  | 0-44.99  |

**Grades**

The breakup of grades is as follows:

Midterm 35%

Final exam 40%

Classroom presentation 25%

**Course Schedule**

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| **Week** | **Topic** |
| 1 | Introduction: Why studying intergroup relationships?  |
| 2 | Social identity theories I |
| 3 | Social identity theories II |
| 4 | Ethnicity and Ethnocentrism |
| 5 | Ideologies in intergroup relationships |
| 6 | Common ingroup identity model |
| 7 | Discussion week |
| 8 | Diversity studies |
| 9 | Acculturation processes |
| 10 | Perspectives of minority groups |
| 11 | Collective action and social change |
| 12 | - |
| 13 | Classroom presentation |
| 14 | Classroom presentation |

\*\*Additional readings and materials will be communicated to students when necessary (e.g., online resources and/or materials distributed in class).

\*\*\*Lecture slides will be available for students after each lecture.

\*\*\*Look for announcement for Midterm and Classroom presentations. Classroom presentation involves a group presentation on a specific intergroup context from the group processes literature [Choosing a specific minority-majority group relationship and looking at important features of this relationship].

\*\*\*Course content, requirements and policies are subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.