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ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

University of Nicosia, Cyprus

Course Code SOWK-211	Course Title Social Psychology	Credits (ECTS) 6
Department Social Sciences	Semester Spring 2011	Prerequisites Psy-110
Type of Course Psychology Core/Required	Field Psychology	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Year of Study 1 st	Lecturer Dr Maria Georgiou
Mode of Delivery Face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

1. develop an understanding of social psychology, that is the scientific study of how people affect and are affected by others.
2. become familiar with all major social psychology studies that help to understand how people affect and are affected by others.
3. become familiar with the positive side of human nature.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to:

1. develop an understanding of the history of social psychology
2. develop an understanding of how culture and groups affect behavior
3. be able to think critically about questions raised by social psychology
4. be able to understand the idea of the human being as a “cultural animal”
5. be knowledgeable on the different studies that took place to study how humans are affected by others.
6. understand the inner processes that serve interpersonal functions
7. gain an understanding of the diverse field of social psychology
8. know about the tradeoffs in which gain comes with a loss
10. understand the positive view of human nature

Course Contents:

1. Introduction to Social Psychology
2. Culture and Nature
3. The Self
4. Choices and Actions
5. Attitudes and Beliefs
6. Social Influence
7. Helping Behavior
8. Aggression
9. Attraction
10. Close relationships
11. Prejudice
12. Groups

Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Discussion

Assessment Methods:

Mid-Term, Research Paper, Attendance and Participation, Final Exam

Required Textbooks:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Lippa, R.	Social Psychology	EAAHN	2003	ISBN: 960-286-745-0