

Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts (Social Science)
Faculty/Institute/College Mahidol University International College
2. **Course Code** ICSP 253 **Course Title** Introduction to Social Psychology
3. **Number of Credits** 4 (**Lecture / Lab**) (4-0)
4. **Prerequisite (s)** ICSS 112
5. **Type of Course** Elective for Psychology Minor or GE requirement
6. **Trimester / Academic Year** Third Trimester / Every year

7. **Course Description**

Social cognition and social perception; attribution; attitudes, socialization, self - esteem and the self - concept; social behavior; interpersonal attraction; conformity and obedience; aggression; altruism; group processes; collective decision making; and leadership.

8. **Course Objective (s)**

- (i) To provide the students with the basic theories and findings of social psychology.
- (ii) To show how social psychological principles are relevant to contemporary social issues.
- (iii) To become able to think critically from a social psychological perspective.

9. **Course Outline**

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	
1	Introduction to Social Psychology	4	Mr. Fujiwara
2	Social Cognition	4	
3	The Self	4	
4	Attitudes and Attitude Change	4	
5	Prejudice	4	
6	Review	2	
	Mid Term Examination	2	
7	Social Influence	4	
8	Interpersonal Attraction	4	
9	Personal Relationships	4	
10	Behaviors in Group	4	
11	Helping Behavior and Aggression	4	
	Total	44	

NB. The lecturer reserves the right to vary the topics as he see fit.

10. **Teaching Method (s)**

Lectures; questions and answers; classroom discussions.

11. Teaching Media

Notebook of lecture summaries.

12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement

(i.e., Grading scheme) : Grades given according to a fixed scale (Students receiving marks 90% and above will receive letter grade A; those receiving less than 50% will fail, etc. Borderline cases (45 - 50%) may be passed if the student's attendance record, punctuality, and classroom demeanor have been exemplary.

13. Course evaluation

Evaluation will be based on as follows (the number in percentage is the weight contributing the final grade) :

1. Assignments	5 %
2. Quiz	10 %
3. Mid Term Examination	35 %
4. Final Examination	50 %

14. Reference (s)

- (i) Taylor, S. E., Peplau, L. A., & Sears, D. O. (2000), *Social Psychology, Tenth Edition, International Edition*, Prentice Hall International (ISBN 0 - 13 - 022640 - 8).
- (ii) Kowalski, R. (1997), *Study Guide : Social Psychology, Ninth Edition*, Prentice Hall International (ISBN 0 - 13 - 021975 - 4).

15. Instructor (s)

Mr. Takayoshi Fujiwara

16. Course Coordinator

Dr. Paul Yablo