

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: **Personal Relationships**

Course Number and Section

PSYCHOL

3726F 550

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Disclaimer: Information in the brief course outline is subject to change. The syllabus posted on OWL Brightspace is the official and authoritative source of information for the course.

Course Description:

This course provides an overview of theory and research on personal relationships from a social psychological perspective. The course will examine topics on the formation, function, maintenance, and dissolution of relationships, with an emphasis on romantic relationships and friendships. The interplay between relationship dynamics and self-processes will also be considered.

Antirequisite(s): Psychology 3724F/G, 3790G if taken in 2012/2013.

Prerequisite(s): At least 60% in Psychology 2780E or permission of the Department at Huron.

Extra Information: 4 lecture hours, 0.5 course. (Huron)

Learning Outcomes: one outcome per entry

- Explain and apply major theories, concepts, and findings in the study of close relationships.
- Critically evaluate research on close relationships through close examination of theory, methods, results, and conclusions.
- Use research to develop and communicate thoughtful perspectives on issues in close relationships.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

The reading list is available on Brightspace, and articles are available through Western Libraries. Other sources, such as podcasts, will be available online.

Methods of Evaluation: one assignment per entry

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Attendance & Participation	Weekly	15
Discussion Questions	Weekly	5
Reflection Paper 1	Oct 22	10
Reflection Paper 2	Nov 26	15

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Discussion Leadership	Once during the course	15
Group Research Project (40%)		
Annotated Bibliography & Mind Map	Oct 29	12.5
Infographic Presentation	Dec 1, 3	15
Individual Critical Reflection	Dec 8	12.5

Monday, August 17, 2026

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In-course Costs \$000.00

For Textbooks and Course Materials (below), you are required to include the cost of each textbook or other learning material.

Note whether there are any restrictions that would prevent a student from using a second-hand copy. Here is some suggested text:

- Required textbook: [author, title, edition, publisher, date]. Cost: [insert amount].
 - Or include the weblink of the textbook’s publisher site that includes the cost information.
- Students need to purchase this edition. Second-hand or older editions will not be sufficient.
- OR Students are welcome to purchase second-hand or earlier editions of this textbook.
- This course has an optional field trip that costs [insert amount].
- This course has a required field component that costs [insert amount].

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