

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: **Adolescent Risk Behaviours**

Course Number and Section:

PSYCHOL

3350G 550

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Course Description:

An in-depth analysis and critique of theory and research on risk behaviour in adolescence, including precursors, correlates and outcomes. Students will gain a comprehensive understanding of: (1) adolescence and emerging adulthood as developmental periods, (2) the biological, cognitive and social factors that underlie youth risk behavior, and (3) current prevention and intervention efforts.

Prerequisite(s): Psychology 2830A/B (or Psych 2800E, 2820E, 2840F/G, 2855F/G or 2855F/G) and registration in the third or fourth year of Honors Specialization, Major in Psychology, or permission of the Department.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students should:

- possess a well-rounded knowledge of theory and research on adolescent/emerging adult risk behaviors;
- be able to think critically about and thoughtfully discuss these topics;
- have further honed their skills of critiquing research studies and writing scientific research papers.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

N/A. Journal articles and chapters only.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Class Participation		15
Class Presentation & Discussion Moderator		25
Critical Analysis Paper	02/12/2024	30

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Healthy Behaviours in an Online World Conference Project	04/08/2024	30

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