

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: **Personal Relationships**

Course Number and Section:

PSYCHOL

3726F 550

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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:

- Develop an understanding of key theories, methods, and current findings in close relationships research.
- Evaluate literature in the area of close relationships.
- Participate in discussions to explore and understand complex topics in close relationships research.
- Learn how to articulate views and present thoughtful arguments.
- Develop skills to collaborate with others.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

Readings will be accessible through the library.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Attendance and Participation	See course page	15
Discussion Questions	See course page	5

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Reflection Papers	See course page	20%
Discussion Leadership	Once during the course	15
Post-Leadership Reflection	Once during the course	15
Group project: Annotated Bibliography and Mind Map	Oct 15, 2025	10
Group Project: Presentation	Week of Dec 1	20%

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

Monday, August 18, 2025