

## Brief Course Outline

**Course Title:** Principles of Developmental Psychology

**Course Number and Section:**

PSYCHOL

2480E 550

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### Course Description:

This course focuses on the academic study of developmental psychology. Specifically, research methods, perceptual developmental, learning, physical development, cognitive development, and social-emotional development. Theoretical issues and experimental design issues will be emphasized.

### Learning Outcomes:

- Understand and explain basic theories and principles of developmental psychology
- Identify and critique basic areas of research in developmental psychology
- Apply basic research methods and experimental designs commonly used in developmental psychology
- Apply theories and concepts of developmental psychology to real world problems

### Textbooks and Course Materials:

Siegler, R.S., Saffran, J.R., Graham, S., Gershoff, E.T. (2024). How Children Develop. Canadian 7th Edition with Achieve (250 day rental). New York, NY, Macmillan.

The electronic version of the textbook can be purchased at the Western Bookstore for \$98.00 via this link: [https://bookstore.uwo.ca/textbook-search?campus=HC&term=W2025&courses%5B0%5D=550\\_HC/PSY2480E](https://bookstore.uwo.ca/textbook-search?campus=HC&term=W2025&courses%5B0%5D=550_HC/PSY2480E)

The cost of the textbook includes 250 day access to Achieve (online student learning resources) and access to the downloaded textbook for 4 years.

There are no additional in-course costs required for this course.

### Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Midterms		20
Exams		35

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Research Project		35
Participation and Reflections		10

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