

**JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**State University of New York**

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**INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** Social Psychology

**Course Abbreviation and Number:** PSY 2530

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Course Type:** Lecture

**Course Description:** Students will demonstrate mastery of theories and research in the field of social psychology. The course focus is on the influence of groups on individuals. Topics include prejudice, aggression, conformity, group decision making, and leadership. Students apply class material to real-life situations and will demonstrate an understanding of cultural diversity, including ethnic, racial, and gender issues.

Prerequisite: ENG 1510.

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**General Education Requirements Met**

**SUNY**

Social Sciences

**JCC**

Applied Learning  
Cultural Understanding  
Scientific Reasoning

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**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of major concepts, models, and issues of at least one discipline in the social sciences. [SUNY Gen Ed – Social Sciences]
  2. Demonstrate understanding of the methods social scientists use to explore social phenomena, including observation, hypothesis development, measurement and data collection, experimentation, evaluation of evidence, and employment of mathematical interpretive analysis. [SUNY Gen Ed – Social Sciences]
  3. Demonstrate knowledge of common institutions, practices, or policies, and how they have affected different social groups or individuals in society. [JCC Gen Ed – Social Sciences]
  4. Effectively apply knowledge and skills to a real-world experience, creative project, or independent intellectual investigation. [JCC Gen Ed – Applied Learning]
  5. Thoughtfully reflect on connections between concepts studied in the classroom & insights gained from an applied learning experience/project. [JCC Gen Ed – Applied Learning]
  6. Demonstrate understanding of cultural similarities and differences and how cultural norms shape each person's experience of the world. [JCC Gen Ed – Cultural Understanding]
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**Topics Covered:**

- Social Cognition
  - Social Perception
  - Behavior Justification
  - Attitudes
  - Conformity
  - Group Process
  - Interpersonal Attraction
  - Aggression
  - Prejudice
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**Information for Students**

- Expectations of Students
  - [Civility Statement](#)
  - [Student Responsibility Statement](#)
  - [Academic Integrity Statement](#)
- [Accessibility Services](#)  
Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
- [Get Help: JCC & Community Resources](#)
- [Emergency Closing Procedures](#)
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.
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**Effective Date:** Fall 2021