



PS276 Developmental Psychology

2022 - FALL - LATE FALL

COURSE INFORMATION

Instructor Details

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Course Location: BMC 712

Credit Hour(s): 3.00

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Office Hours: Office Hours - Meet with me by appointment!

Required Text

Experiencing the Lifespan

Author: Janet Belsky

Edition: 3rd Edition (newer editions can be used, but the 3rd or 4th will be the most affordable.)

The textbook is available in the course on Canvas. Students can download a PDF version or use it from within the course from each course module.

If students would like to purchase a hard copy version, information is available above.

Colby Community College Mission

Challenge students to adapt to a diverse society. **Create** opportunities for student growth. **Connect** student learning with professional experiences.

Course Description

This course introduces you to human development through the lifespan from conception to death. Each stage of development is discussed in the context of socioemotional, cognitive, intellectual, linguistic, and physical development. You will also discuss major theories, debates, and theorists.

COURSE OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES

- Distinguish among developmental theories
- Distinguish research methods in development
- Describe social and emotional development throughout the lifespan
- Explain cognitive development throughout the lifespan
- Examine the processes of physical development throughout the lifespan
- Describe the processes of death and dying

COURSE POLICIES

Assignments and Tests

When you first view your class, look over class requirements, assignments, and other class content to ensure that you wish to remain in the class. If you decide to drop the class, do NOT post in Canvas at all, as that counts as attendance per College policy, and you will be charged a portion of tuition for dropping after attending/posting.

The student is expected to have assignments done when the instructor determines they are due. The instructor determines acceptance of late assignments. There are no written examinations in this class. Submitting timely work and participating determine the final grade.

Test Policy

There will be an exam/test given over each unit covered. Test questions and material will consist of information obtained from both the class study materials (which includes videos and articles) and information in the textbook. If for any reason, you are unable to meet the test deadline on Canvas, you must notify the instructor before the test deadline in order to be able to make it up. If you do not notify the instructor before the test deadline then you will not be able to make up the test!! DO NOT wait until the last minute to take online tests.

- If a missed test is excused (contact the instructor an "excused missed test"), students are allowed to make up one missed "excused" test. That excused test will be made up during the test makeup week at the end of the semester. See the Course Schedule on Canvas for details about the Make-up Test Week (when it is and notifying the instructor).
- If you have a technology issue you need to email me ASAP and let me know. Technology issues are not an excuse for missing a test or submitting the test late.
- About tests: Majority of the test will be all multiple-choice, short answer, and/or essay. Although some items will test your knowledge of facts or definitions, a larger number will assess your understanding of the material by asking you to apply the concepts we cover to examples. Being able to recognize how to apply class concepts to real-life examples requires understanding rather than rote memorization.

Course Information

- Course resources and assignments can be found in our course on Canvas.
- All course work must be submitted by the final due date of the course, absolutely no exceptions.

COLBY COMMUNITY COLLEGE POLICIES

Attendance

Colby Community College views class attendance as a mandatory activity. However, if students must be absent, the students should make arrangements in advance with the instructors. Students absent

as official college representatives (athletics, activities, or scholarship fulfillment) are not counted absent but **MUST** make advance arrangements with instructors to complete all course work. Punitive grades cannot and will not be assigned if the absence is excused by the college. It is always the student's responsibility to notify instructors of any absence due to illness or any other reason.

Communication

Course communication will occur through Canvas Announcements, Canvas Inbox, and CCC student email accounts. Response to emails will occur within 24 hours during the week and 48 hours on the weekend.

Netiquette

This is a professional educational environment, and your emails should reflect that. Consequently, you should remember to type your first and last name at the close of every email so I know who I am replying to.

When posting on the Discussion Board in your online class, you should:

- Make posts that are on topic and within the scope of the course material
- Take your posts seriously and review and edit your posts before sending
- Be as brief as possible while still making a thorough comment
- Always give proper credit when referencing or quoting another source
- Be sure to read all messages in a thread before replying
- Don't repeat someone else's post without adding something of your own to it
- Avoid short, generic replies such as, "I agree." You should include why you agree or add to the previous point
- Always be respectful of others' opinions even when they differ from your own
- When you disagree with someone, you should express your differing opinion in a respectful non-critical way
- Do not make personal or insulting remarks
- Be open-minded

Tech Support Information

- Canvas Support Hotline: 855-691-5024

You can access Canvas Support Information by selecting the help button on the left-hand menu.

- Colby Community College Support: support@colbycc.edu

Finals

In accordance with Colby Community College policy, students are required to be present for their final exam and/or complete any assessment during the time stated. **If you have a conflict with this time, you must obtain written permission two weeks prior from the Executive Vice President and the instructor to schedule a make-up exam.** Please note that vacations, previously purchased tickets or reservations, graduations, social events, misreading the final exam schedule, and oversleeping are not viable reasons for rescheduling a final.

Syllabus Information Disclaimer

I reserve the right to change any information contained in this document, when necessary, with adequate notice given to the student. Notice shall be given in the classroom during class. No other notice is required. It is the students' responsibility to stay current with any changes, modifications, adjustments or amendments that are made to this document. Students should adhere to the attendance, cell phone, assignment, test and grading policies in the course syllabus.

Academic Integrity

Colby Community College (CCC) defines academic integrity as learning that leads to the development of knowledge and/or skills without any form of cheating or plagiarism. All CCC students, faculty, and staff, are responsible for upholding academic integrity.

CCC believes that successful students are independent critical thinkers who possess the work ethic and skills necessary to make a positive difference in their professions and communities. In order to maximize student success, CCC is committed to maintaining an honest academic environment and upholding academic integrity as a core value. All individuals across all course modalities are expected to practice academic integrity, which encompasses honesty, trust, respect, fairness, accountability, and responsibility.

Cheating is the giving, receiving, or use of unauthorized help on individual and/or group assignments. Cheating includes, but is not limited to:

The use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or examinations;

The use of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out other assignments;

Taking an examination for another student, or asking or allowing another person to take an examination for you;

Impersonating another student, or submitting someone else's work as your own, including allowing others to research and write assigned papers or do assigned projects, including the use of commercial term paper services;

The acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a member of the College faculty or staff;

Sharing content without authorization;

Fabricating or falsifying data, and/or altering academic documents, including records, with or without the use of digital devices;

Unauthorized use of any electronic devices such as cell phones, computers, or other technologies to retrieve or send unauthorized information, including but not limited to, information regarding tests, quizzes, or examinations;

Submitting substantial portions of the same paper to more than one course without consulting with each instructor, and gaining permission to do so;

Engaging in any behavior specifically prohibited by a faculty member in the course syllabus or class discussion;

Participating in, or giving assistance to, acts of academic misconduct or dishonesty.

Plagiarism is using someone else's work as if it were one's own (without attribution), whether or not it is done intentionally. This includes, but is not limited to:

Using the exact language, without proper citation;

Using nearly the exact language, without proper citation;

Using ideas without citation showing they originated in another's work;

Omitting quotation marks when using language copied from another's work;

Failing to use citations for ideas or language taken from other authors, and,

The unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of papers or other academic materials, and,

Taking credit for a group project without contributing to it.

Consequences may include any and/or all of the following, depending on the facts in each individual case:

_____ The student will receive a zero for the assignment and the student will be reported to the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

_____ The student will receive a failing grade in the class, report to the Vice President of Academic Affairs, and will be removed from the class in which the offense occurred.

_____ The student will be reported to the Vice President of Academic Affairs and dismissed from the College.

A documentation copy of each Academic Integrity infraction will be housed with the Vice President of Academic Affairs and with the Registrar (as an electronic file).

Any questions about academic integrity may be referred to the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Assessment

Colby Community College assesses student learning at several levels: general education, program, and course. The goal of these assessment activities is to improve student learning. As a student in this course, you will participate in various assessment activities. An example of your work, a paper, some test questions, a presentation, or other work may be selected for assessment. This process will not affect your grade, will not require you do additional work and your evaluation will be confidentially handled. Results of these activities will be used to improve teaching and learning at Colby Community College.

Tutoring

Free tutoring is available to all students at Colby Community College. The Comprehensive Learning Center (CLC), located in the Library, provides support services for all learners, on-campus and online. To schedule an appointment, visit <https://hfdavismemoriallibrary.setmore.com/>, email tutor@colbycc.edu or call 785-460-5480.

Tutoring is available in Student Support Services to eligible SSS participants. Please contact Student Support Services for qualifying program criteria at 785-460-5510, or by stopping by Student Support Services, located in the Student Union.

Online tutoring from ThinkingStorm is available to Colby Community College students 24/7 through their Canvas accounts. Every student can access up to 10 free hours of online tutoring each semester. For assistance with online tutoring, students may contact ThinkingStorm Support at care@thinkingstorm.com or by phone at 1-877-889-5996.

Copyright Disclaimer

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Accommodations for Students w/ Disabilities

According to the Americans Disabilities Act, it is the responsibility of each student with a disability to notify the college of his/her disability and to request accommodation. If a member of the class has a documented learning disability or a physical disability and is requesting special accommodations, he/she should contact disability services at disability@colbycc.edu.

Notice of Non-Discrimination

Colby Community College provides equality of opportunity to its applicants for admission, enrolled students, graduates, and employees. The College does not discriminate with respect to hiring, continuation of employment, promotion, tenure, other employment practices, application for admission or career services and placement on the basis of race, color, gender, age, disability, national origin or ancestry, sexual orientation or religion. For inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies, contact the Vice President of Student Affairs, Title IX and ADA Coordinator, Colby Community College, 1255 S. Range Ave., Colby, KS 67701 (785) 460-5490).

Accreditation

Higher Learning Commission
230 S. LaSalle St., Suite 7-500
Chicago, IL 60604-1411
(800) 621-7440
FAX (312) 263-4162
<https://www.hlcommission.org/>

METHOD OF EVALUATION

Your grade will be based on the following:

Items	Points / Percentage
Module Tests	
Module Assignments	
Interview Project	
Discussions	

Grade Scale

Your grade will be based on the following:

Grade	Percentage
A	90 - 100
B	80 - 89
C	70 - 79
D	60 - 69
F	0 - 59

CLASS SCHEDULE

Due Date	Assignment	Type	Points
12/12	ASSIGNMENT: Introduce Yourself Discussion Board	Discussion	25

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12/14	ASSIGNMENT: Getting Started -Course & Syllabus Quiz	Quiz	10
12/18	Introduction: Module 1 Test	Quiz	40
12/18	Prenatal Test: Module 2	Quiz	45
12/18	Childhood - Chapters 3 & 4 Test: Module 3	Quiz	50
12/18	Life In the Womb Assignment	Assignment	25
12/18	Prenatal Development Discussion	Discussion	25
12/18	To Feel and Belong Assignment	Assignment	25
12/25	Childhood - Chapters 5-7 Test: Module 4	Quiz	60
12/25	Aging- Interview Projects Discussion	Discussion	15
12/25	Chapter 9 Adolescent Brain Development	Assignment	25
12/25	ASSIGNMENT: Childhood Health and Obesity Discussion	Discussion	25
12/25	Adolescent Test: Module 5	Quiz	35
12/25	ASSIGNMENT: Interview Project	Assignment	50
12/30	Death and Dying Assignment	Assignment	30
12/30	Aging Test: Module 6	Quiz	50
12/30	Death & Dying Test: Module 7	Quiz	30
12/30	FINAL TEST END OF SEMESTER	Quiz	60
	FAQ Course Discussion Board	Discussion	0

Due Date	Assignment	Type	Points
	Student Lounge	Discussion	0