



Research Methods in Psychology

PSY3110:002

Special Course Expectations During COVID-19

Attendance

Students must perform a daily health assessment, based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([CDC guidelines](#)), before coming to campus each day, which includes taking your temperature. Students who are symptomatic/sick should not come to class and should contact the Main Campus Health Center at 419-530-3451. *Absences due to COVID-19 quarantine or isolation requirements ___ considered excused absences.* Students should notify their instructors and these absences may not require written notice.

Face Coverings

All students must wear face coverings while on campus, except while eating, alone in an enclosed space, or outdoors practicing social distancing. NO students will be permitted in class without a face covering. This is a zero-tolerance policy. If a student does not wear a mask, they will be asked to put one on or leave the class. If they refuse these requests, class will be immediately dismissed, and the student referred for disciplinary action under the student code of conduct.

If you have a medical reason that prevents you from wearing a face covering due to a health condition deemed high-risk for COVID-19 by the CDC, you should submit a request for an accommodation through the Student Disability Services Office (SDS) by completing the [online application](#). Students will need to provide documentation that verifies their health condition or disability and supports the need for accommodations. If a student is already affiliated with SDS and would like to request additional accommodations due to the impact of COVID-19, they should contact their accessibility specialist to discuss their specific needs.

Social Distancing

Students should practice social distancing inside and outside the classroom. Please follow signage and pay attention to the seating arrangements. Do not remove stickers or tape from seats and/or tables, this is there to provide guidance on the appropriate classroom capacity based on the recommended 6 feet of social distancing between individuals. Please be conscious of your personal space and respectful of others. Also be cognizant of how you enter and exit the room; always try to maintain at least 6 feet of distance between yourself and others.

Desks and Work Spaces

Students will need to sanitize their desks and/or work space before class with the University provided sanitizing spray and paper towels on their desks. Students should sit in the same seat for every class. This will allow for contact tracing if someone in the class should become sick.

Special Notes

It is important to note that based on the unpredictability of the COVID-19 virus, things can change at any time so please be patient and understanding as we move through the semester. I also ask that you keep me informed of concerns you may have about class, timely completion of course work/assignments, and/or health concerns related to COVID.

Meeting Times

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:30AM - 1:20PM

University Hall 5150F

This course has been designated as a hybrid or rolling class, meaning that half of the class will attend in-person on Tuesdays and the other half will attend in-person on Thursdays.

G.3. Develop an understanding of the research process

LO.1. Describe the research process from inception to completion

LO.2. Define common methods, procedures, and research terms

LO.3. Justify and distinguish different research methodologies

LO.4. Apply concepts and theories to different research methodologies

LO.5. Critique research methodologies

G.4. Dem

Technology

Blackboard/Blackboard Collaborate Ultra

This course uses Blackboard (<https://blackboard.utdl.edu>) to house announcements, a copy of the syllabus, a link to the textbook, assignments, handouts, grades, and other interesting and useful resources. You should check it at least a few times per week.

Additionally, we will be using Blackboard Collaborate Ultra (BCU) for remote learning (when not physically present in class; see above for details). BCU is a web conferencing tool that allows faculty to synchronously communicate online with students anywhere in the world. The program is browser-based and does not require a separate launcher application. BCU can be accessed via Blackboard (housed in the Blackboard course menu under Start Here). It works best with Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox browsers.

If you encounter technical difficulties with Blackboard or BCU, contact the [UT Online Help Desk](#) at (419) 530-8835 or utdl@utoledo.edu. The Help Desk offers extended hours in the evenings and on weekends to assist students with technical problems. When calling after hours, leave a detailed message, including your Rocket Number and phone number, and an Online Learning staff member will respond on the next business day.

Technical questions related to on-campus Internet access, virtual labs, hardware, software, personal website hosting, and UTAD account management can be directed to UT's [IT Help Desk](#) at (419) 530-2400 or ithelpdesk@utoledo.edu.

Microsoft Office 365

We will be using Microsoft office products (e.g., Word, Excel, PowerPoint) frequently in the course. The University of Toledo provides a license to access Microsoft Office 365 to registered students for free. This cloud-based software ensures access to university email as well as the latest versions of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and more. To download Microsoft Office 365, go to <https://www.utoledo.edu/it/office365/>.

Course Elements and Grading

Attendance (100 Points)

Attendance in the course is mandatory (both in person and online) but due to COVID-19

weeks), consider petitioning for a medical withdrawal. Attendance points cannot be made up by completing other assignments.

Exam 3 will be held during finals week; thus, you will likely be extra busy so plan accordingly.

presented to get you thinking about how you would respond, react, and/or your attitudes about various sensitive subjects/situations. I expect you all to participate during class.

Food

Due to COVID-19, eating in class is not permissible. I understand that you may want to eat during class; hectic schedules can make it difficult to find time to eat and sometimes a coffee or snack can be helpful for staying awake or simply staying fueled during the day. As such, we will take a short break in the middle of class so people can eat a snack outside or in the hall away from others. If you must eat during the class period, please step outside or into the hall quietly.

Student Resources

Academic Honesty

Cheating will not be tolerated. The first instance of cheating will result in a zero (0) for the assignment or exam and a note in your college file. A second instance will result in an F grade for the course and a note in your college file. A low grade that results from cheating will not be deleted if you retake the course for a higher grade. Cheating includes (but is not limited to) _____ for exams or assignments (e.g., passing off someone else's work as your own). Plagiarism (use of another person's words without citing a reference to assign credit to them) is also cheating; always use your own words in all assignments. See [the university's policy on academic honesty](#).

If you have questions as to what counts as plagiarism, there are resources online that can help clarify or you can ask me. If you're unsure if something is plagiarism, it would be in your best interest to check before turning in an assignment to avoid receiving a 0 for unintentional plagiarism.

Plagiarism (use of another person's words without citing a reference to assign credit to them) is cheating; always use your own words in all assignments. Copying and pasting large paragraphs from someone else's work can still be considered plagiarism even if you put quotes around it and cite them.

Submitting the work of another student (past or present) who has taken this course as your own is also a form of plagiarism and is considered cheating. Using a past or present student's work as the basis for your own work is also considered cheating. I understand that it can be confusing as to what exactly counts as plagiarism when it comes to citing other's work.

students who have an accommodations memo from Student Disability Services, correspond with me as soon as possible to discuss your disability-related accommodation needs for this course. For students not registered with Student Disability Services who would like information regarding eligibility for academic accommodations due to barriers associated with a potential disability, please contact the [Student Disability Services Office](#).

Resources Related to Sexual or Gender-based Violence and Harassment

The University of Toledo cares greatly about the health and well-being of our students, staff, and faculty, and takes all sexual or gender-based violence and harassment very seriously. If you have experienced sexual assault, sexual harassment, intimate partner violence, and/or stalking and want a confidential place to obtain support and information, please contact the Center for Student Advocacy and Wellness on the main campus in Health

