

Psychology 3120

Understanding Psychological Research = Spring 2012

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Textbooks: 1. *Conducting Research in Psychology: Measuring the Weight of Smoke, 3rd Ed.*,
 by B.W. Pelham & H. Blanton, 2007, Wadsworth. [CRIP]
 2. *Statistics Without Tears, A Primer for Non-mathematicians*, by D. Rowntree

2004, Pearson. [SWT]

<u>Dates:</u>	<u>Lecture Topics and Assigned Readings:</u>
Jan 9	Introduction to course
Jan 11	The Scientific Method (CRIP: Ch. 1)
Jan 16	NO CLASS (MLK Day)
Jan 18	Scientific Discovery (CRIP: Ch. 2)
Jan 23	Validity and reliability (CRIP: Ch. 3)
Jan 25	NO CLASS
Jan 30	Threats to validity (CRIP: Ch. 5)
Feb 1	Psychological measurement (CRIP: Ch. 4)

