PSY 2510—Social Psychology
Three Semester Hours

PREREQUISITES:
University Requisite: PSY 1010 or PSY101D

COURSE OVERVIEW:
Theory and research on the ways that people think about, influence, and relate to one another. Specific topics include attitudes and behavior, social perception and cognition, conformity, persuasion, group influence, aggression, attraction, and helping behavior.

METHODS OF COURSE INSTRUCTION:
All material for this course is print-based. Instructor and students communicate and exchange materials through postal mail. You may submit your assignments as e-mail attachments, but your graded assignments will be returned to you by postal mail.

TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES:

NUMBER OF LESSONS:
The course has six lessons, including a midcourse examination, and a final examination. These lessons include:

- Lesson 1: Introduction; The Self; Social Beliefs and Judgments
- Lesson 2: Attitudes; Conformity; Persuasion
- Lesson 3: Midcourse Examination Information
- Lesson 4: Group Influence; Prejudice; Aggression
- Lesson 5: Attraction; Helping
- Lesson 6: Final Examination

TYPES OF WRITING ASSIGNMENTS:
Your answers should demonstrate that you have given a lot of thought to the question. There are two components to an answer that receives an “A” grade: first, it should demonstrate that you have carefully read and understood the material, and second, it should include your own opinion or point of view. Perhaps the most typical mistake students make in answering these questions is failing to relate their answers adequately to the concepts covered in the text. Finally, the very best answers are ones that also go a step further by doing some research that includes materials outside of the assigned readings. (If you have online access, you can use the resources of the Ohio University Libraries and OhioLink.)
GRADING CRITERIA:

Grades will be based entirely on your performance on the six lessons. No extra credit opportunities will be available. The midcourse and final will each compose 20% of your grade, and the other four lessons will be worth 15% each.