

**Texas A&M University – Central Texas
PSYC 3303.115 Educational Psychology
Online Course
Summer 2023**

INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Office hours:

Due to this being an online course, office hours will be virtual this summer. We may hold meetings using [Webex software](#) or [Microsoft Teams](#) if desired by the students. To address student concerns individually, students are encouraged to contact the instructor via email, or to click on the link below to make an appointment for a virtual meeting using Microsoft Teams:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/DrClarkAppointments@tamuct.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/s/H65aFhTq80KFZtOyagr2ag2>.

COURSE DATES, MODALITY, AND LOCATION

This is a 100% online course, and uses the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [<https://tamuct.instructure.com/>].

Student-instructor interaction

Students are encouraged to send messages to the instructor through the Canvas messaging system. The instructor will attempt to respond to messages as soon as possible, usually within 24 hours. If it is possible, students should refrain from sending multiple messages without getting a response. During weekends and holidays, e-mail responses from the instructor may be delayed until the holiday or weekend has ended.

Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas

SAFEZONE. SafeZone provides a public safety application that gives you the ability to call for help with the push of a button. It also provides Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate emergency information quickly via push notifications, email, and text messages. All students automatically receive email and text messages via their myCT accounts.

Downloading SafeZone allows access to push notifications and enables you to connect directly for help through the app.

You can download SafeZone from the app store and use your myCT credentials to log in. If you would like more information, you can visit the [SafeZone](http://www.safezoneapp.com) website [www.safezoneapp.com].

To register SafeZone on your phone, please follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Download the SafeZone App from your phone store using the link below:
 - [iPhone/iPad](https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756): [https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756]
 - [Android Phone / Tablet](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.criticalarc.safezoneapp)
[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.criticalarc.safezoneapp]
2. Launch the app and enter your myCT email address (e.g. {name}@tamuct.edu)

Complete your profile and accept the terms of service

COURSE INFORMATION

Required textbooks:

Woolfolk, A. (2010). *Educational Psychology* (13th ed.). Boston, MA: Pearson.
(ISBN: 978-0-13-354992-8)

Brown, P.C., Roediger, H.L. III, McDaniel, M.A. (2014). *Make it Stick: The Science of Successful Learning*. Cambridge, MA: Belknap Press. (ISBN: 978-0674729018)

Catalog course description: A survey of human cognition and information processing, including perception, attention, memory, reasoning, and problem solving. Also included are the experimental methods and current theories of human cognition. Prerequisites: PSY 101 or approval of School Director.

Learning outcomes (LO): Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will:

LO 1. Have content-specific knowledge about the models, research studies, and history of educational psychology.

LO 2. Be able to use accurate terminology to discuss research topics in educational psychology with classmates and the instructor.

LO 3. Have some first-hand experience with analyzing and developing research studies in educational psychology.

Technology Requirements

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [<https://tamuct.instructure.com>].

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Course Requirements:

Learning Evaluation Methods:

Readiness Assessment Tests (RAT) (20%) – Weekly short quizzes (5-10 questions) that are completed individually and are designed to require you to review the material. If RAT quizzes are submitted after the due date, they may receive 70% maximum if they are turned in during the same week. After the week has passed, no credit will be received.

Make it Stick Questions (15%): For each of the tests, you will be reading and answering questions concerning the material in the “Make it Stick” book. These will be assigned towards the beginning of a unit and due the week before the test.

Make it Stick Application Project (20%): This project will include 4 different brief papers. This project involves analyzing your performance as a student and applying techniques from the book to improve your efficiency as a learner.

Exams (30%) – Over the semester, there will be five exams. Each exam will consist of several essays. These exams will stand-alone, the final will not be comprehensive. Exams will not be accepted after the posted due date.

Discussions (15%) - In order to engage with the content, the instructor will periodically post questions for discussion. These discussion posts will not be accepted late.

Final course grades will follow the system below:

A = 90.00+ total points, **B** = 80.00-89.99 points, **C** = 70.00-79.99 points, **D** = 62.00-69.99 points, **F** = 61.99 or fewer points

Posting of Grades

Many of the assignments in this course will be graded automatically by Canvas. For assignments and tests that require manual grading (tests, discussions, and projects), the instructor will wholeheartedly attempt to post the students' grades within 7 days of the assignment due date. Also, these assignments will be graded in the order they are received by the instructor.

Grading Policies

The policies for grading in this course are specific to the different assignments (see above).

Late Work Policy

The assignments in this course are intended to be completed in a sequential fashion. In the years I have taught this class, I have learned that the worst thing you can do is get behind. But I know it happens. So here is my policy. When work is turned in after the due date, 10% will be deducted per day the assignment is late.

However, there is one caveat. If your assignment is not turned in at the time and date it is due, you need to fill out this short form online **within 24 hours** of the time the assignment was due::

<https://forms.gle/XWYYsxb9BRHwveW86>. This form requires you to first identify yourself and the assignment. You may fill out the form for multiple assignments, but only if they are all due on the same day. Next, you will explain to me what prevented you from turning it in on time. You do not have to be super specific, just give me something. Second, tell me when you are planning to turn it in. Third, the form requires you to tell me how you plan on avoiding this problem in the future. If you have answered these questions satisfactorily, I may reduce or remove the late penalty for your grade.

COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR

See Canvas for the updated Course Calendar

Date	Details	Due
	Quiz RAT.1	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jun 6, 2023	Discussion Topic Who are you?	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Favorite Age	due by 11:59pm
Thu Jun 8, 2023	Assignment How I Studied Assignment	due by 11:59pm

	Quiz RAT.2	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Physical Milestones Discussion	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jun 13, 2023	Discussion Topic Fitting in Discussion	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic My Self Concept	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz RAT.3	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz EPO Test 1	due by 11:59pm
Thu Jun 15, 2023	Quiz MIS.1	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz MIS.2	due by 11:59pm

	Discussion Topic	
	New IQ Measure Discussion	due by 11:59pm
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	Quiz	
	RAT.4	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jun 20, 2023	<hr/>	
	Discussion Topic	
	Smarty Pants Discussion	due by 11:59pm
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	Discussion Topic	
	Special Ed Discussion	due by 11:59pm
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	Discussion Topic	
	First Words Discussion	due by 11:59pm
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	Quiz	
	RAT.5	due by 11:59pm
Thu Jun 22, 2023	<hr/>	
	Quiz	
	RAT.6	due by 11:59pm
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	Discussion Topic	
	What is Culture?	due by 11:59pm

	Discussion	
	Discussion Topic Your Pigeon Hole	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz EPO Test 2	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jun 27, 2023	Quiz MIS.3	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Managing your Cognitive Load Discussion	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz RAT.7	due by 11:59pm
Thu Jun 29, 2023	Quiz RAT.8	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Training Discussion	due by 11:59pm

	Discussion Topic You Know Discussion	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Favorite Learning Technique Discussion	due by 11:59pm
Thu Jul 6, 2023	Discussion Topic Problem Solved Discussion	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz RAT.9	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz EPO Test 3	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jul 11, 2023	Assignment How I should Study Directions and Assignment	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz MIS.5	due by 11:59pm

	<p>Quiz</p> <p>MIS.6</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
	<p>Discussion Topic</p> <p>Do we all think differently?</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
	<p>Discussion Topic</p> <p>Goal-den Moment</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
	<p>Discussion Topic</p> <p>Learning from Models</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
Thu Jul 13, 2023	<p>Quiz</p> <p>RAT.10</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
	<p>Quiz</p> <p>RAT.11</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
	<p>Quiz</p> <p>RAT.12</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>
	<p>Discussion Topic</p> <p>What's my Motivation?</p>	<p>due by 11:59pm</p>

	Quiz EPO Test 4	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jul 18, 2023		
	Quiz MIS.7	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz RAT.13	due by 11:59pm
	Quiz RAT.14	due by 11:59pm
Thu Jul 20, 2023	Discussion Topic Why Bully?	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Worst Classroom Discussion	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Your Favorite Teacher	due by 11:59pm
Tue Jul 25, 2023	Quiz New Study Plan	due by 11:59pm

	Quiz RAT.15	due by 11:59pm
	Discussion Topic Worst. Test. Ever.	due by 11:59pm
	Assignment End of Course Survey	due by 12pm
Thu Jul 27, 2023	Quiz EPO Test 5	due by 11:59pm

Important University Dates: See the University calendar.

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT

Technology Requirements

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. **We strongly recommend the latest versions of Chrome or Firefox browsers. Canvas no longer supports any version of Internet Explorer.**

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [<https://tamuct.instructure.com/>] or access Canvas through the TAMUCT Online link in myCT [<https://tamuct.onecampus.com/>]. You will log in through our Microsoft portal.

Username: Your MyCT email address. Password: Your MyCT password

Canvas Support

Use the Canvas Help link, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can select “Chat with Canvas Support,” submit a support request through “Report a Problem,” or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

Online Proctored Testing

A&M-Central Texas uses Proctorio for online identity verification and proctored testing. This service is provided at no direct cost to students. If the course requires identity verification or proctored testing, the technology requirements are: Any computer meeting the minimum computing requirements, plus web camera, speaker, and microphone (or headset). Proctorio also requires the Chrome web browser with their custom plug in.

Other Technology Support

For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Email: helpdesk@tamu.edu

Phone: (254) 519-5466

[Web Chat](http://hdc.tamu.edu): [http://hdc.tamu.edu]

Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.

UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES

Drop Policy

If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete the [Drop Request](#) Dynamic Form through Warrior Web.

[<https://dynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com/casAuthentication.ashx?InstID=eaed95b9-f2be-45f3-a37d-46928168bc10&targetUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fdynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com%2FSubmit%2FForm%2FStart%2F53b8369e-0502-4f36-be43-f02a4202f612>].

Faculty cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Registrar’s Office will provide a deadline on the Academic Calendar for which the form must be completed. Once you submit the completed form to the Registrar’s Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Registrar’s Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an F in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

Academic Integrity

Texas A&M University -Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Academic integrity is defined as a

commitment to honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. Academic misconduct is any act that improperly affects a true and honest evaluation of a student's academic performance and includes, but is not limited to, working with others in an unauthorized manner, cheating on an examination or other academic work, plagiarism and improper citation of sources, using another student's work, collusion, and the abuse of resource materials. All academic misconduct concerns will be referred to the university's Office of Student Conduct. Ignorance of the university's standards and expectations is never an excuse to act with a lack of integrity. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

For more [information regarding the Student Conduct process](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html),
[https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html].

If you know of potential honor violations by other students, you may [submit a report](https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=0),
[https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=0].

Academic Accommodations

At Texas A&M University-Central Texas, we value an inclusive learning environment where every student has an equal chance to succeed and has the right to a barrier-free education. The Office of Access and Inclusion is responsible for ensuring that students with a disability receive equal access to the university's programs, services and activities. If you believe you have a disability requiring reasonable accommodations please contact the Office of Access and Inclusion, WH-212; or call (254) 501-5836. Any information you provide is private and confidential and will be treated as such.

For more information please visit our [Access & Inclusion](https://tamuct.instructure.com/courses/717) Canvas page (log-in required)
[https://tamuct.instructure.com/courses/717]

Important information for Pregnant and/or Parenting Students

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights, the Dean of Student Affairs' Office can assist students who are pregnant and/or parenting in seeking accommodations related to pregnancy and/or parenting. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible. For more information, please visit [Student Affairs](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/index.html) [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/index.html]. Students may also contact the institution's Title IX Coordinator. If you would like to read more about these [requirements and guidelines](http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf) online, please visit the website [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf].

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex and gender—including pregnancy, parenting, and all related conditions. A&M-Central Texas is able to provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodation to pregnant and parenting students. All pregnant and parenting students should contact the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs at (254) 501-5909 to seek out assistance. Students may also contact the University's Title IX Coordinator.

Tutoring

Tutoring is available to all A&M-Central Texas students, on a remote online basis. Visit the Academic Support Community in Canvas to view schedules and contact information. Subjects tutored on campus include Accounting, Advanced Math, Biology, Finance, Statistics, Mathematics, and Study Skills. Tutors will return at the Tutoring Center in Warrior Hall, Suite 111 in the Fall 2020. Student success coaching is available online upon request.

If you have a question regarding tutor schedules, need to schedule a tutoring session, are interested in becoming a tutor, success coaching, or have any other question, contact Academic Support Programs at (254) 501-5836, visit the Office of Student Success at 212F Warrior Hall, or by emailing studentsuccess@tamuct.edu.

Chat live with a tutor 24/7 for almost any subject from on your computer! Tutor.com is an online tutoring platform that enables A&M-Central Texas students to log in and receive online tutoring support at no additional cost. This tool provides tutoring in over 40 subject areas except writing support. Access Tutor.com through Canvas.

University Writing Center

The University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (TAMUCT) is a free service open to all TAMUCT students. For the Summer 2020 semester, all services will be online as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday with satellite hours online Monday thru Thursday from 6:00-9:00 p.m. This summer, the UWC is also offering hours from 12:00-3:00 p.m. on Saturdays starting June 27th and ending July 18th.

Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students' ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students' texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

Students may arrange a one-to-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by making an appointment via [WCOonline](https://tamuct.mywconline.com/) [https://tamuct.mywconline.com/]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu if you have any questions about the UWC and/or need any assistance with scheduling.

University Library

The University Library provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 200 electronic databases containing approximately 250,000 eBooks and 82,000 journals, in addition to the 85,000 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to

students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available 24 hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place on Skype or in-person at the library. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group work spaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our [Library website](http://tamuct.libguides.com/index) [http://tamuct.libguides.com/index].

A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).

Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don't agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don't be a bystander; be an agent of change. For additional information on campus policy and resources visit the [Title IX webpage](https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html) [https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html].

Behavioral Intervention

Texas A&M University-Central Texas cares about the safety, health, and well-being of its students, faculty, staff, and community. If you are aware of individuals for whom you have a concern, who are exhibiting concerning behaviors, or individuals causing a significant disruption to our community, please make a referral to the Behavioral Intervention Team. Referring your concern shows you care. You can complete the [referral](https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=2) online [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=2].

Anonymous referrals are accepted. Please see the [Behavioral Intervention Team](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/bat.html) website for more information [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/bat.html]. If a person's behavior poses an imminent threat to you or another, contact 911 or A&M-Central Texas University Police at 254-501-5800.

