PSYX 631.03: Neuropsychological Assessment

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Text: Neuropsychological Assessment (4th Ed.), Muriel D. Lezak
Meeting Time: Monday/Wednesday, 12:10-1:30, CPC 119
Office Hours: Tuesday: 12:30-2, Wednesday: 1:30-3, and by appointment; Skaggs 207

Important Dates:
• November 13 (46th instructional day), last day to add or drop a class without a petition. See assignment schedule below.
• No class on September 2 (Holiday)
• No class on November 11 (Holiday).
• No class on November 27 (Holiday).

Class Objectives: This class is designed to provide you with basic skills in test administration, test interpretation, and report writing.

Grades: Based on: (1) Take-home essay, (2) protocol report #1, (3) protocol report #2, (4) class presentation, (5) assessment report #1, (6) class presentation of assessment #1, (6) assessment report #2, and (7) class presentation of assessment #2.

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Learning Outcomes:
1) Learn to administer a neuropsychological test battery
2) Learn to score a neuropsychological test battery
3) Develop skills in interpreting the results of a neuropsychological test battery
4) Develop skills in writing and verbally communicating the results of a neuropsychological test battery

Suggested Reading Schedule
Week of:
August 26 Ch. 1
September 2 Ch. 2
September 9 Ch. 4
September 16 Ch. 5
September 23 Ch. 6
September 30 Ch. 8
October 7 Ch. 17 (pp. 670-697)

Assignment Schedule
August 26 Begin to practice test administration and scoring
September 11 Administer assigned tests to classmate and score around this date
September 23 Hand out take-home essay test
September 25 Take-home essay test returned
October 2 Hand out assessment protocol #1
October 7 Written report of assessment protocol #1 due (results/interpretation)
October 14 Hand out assessment protocol #2
October 16 Written report of assessment protocol #2 due (results/interpretation)

Oct. 19-Nov. 2 PSYC 100 Assessment #1 conducted during this time

October 21 Class presentation 1 (Assessment topic)
October 23 Class presentation 2 (Assessment topic)
October 28 Class presentation 3 (Assessment topic)
November 4  Class presentation 4 (Assessment topic)
November 6  PSYC 100 Assessment #1 report due
November 13  PSYC 100 Assessment #1 presentations 1 & 2
November 18  PSYC 100 Assessment #1 presentations 1 & 2

November 14-28  PSYC 100 Assessment #2 conducted during this time

November 25  PSYC 100 Assessment #2 report due
December 2  PSYC 100 Assessment #2 presentations 1 & 2
December 4  PSYC 100 Assessment #2 presentations 3 & 4
December 12  Finals Week. Any report revisions due by 5 pm on this date

Important Information
Before beginning the assessment assignments, the level of risk to subjects and the relevant ethical issues will be discussed in class. Please be sure to review the Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct as we will review the relevant sections in class. In addition, you must have completed the tutorial, The University of Montana Online Research Ethics Course, which can be found at the following web address: