

MATTER OF MIND

Instructor

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Course Description and Objectives:

The goal of this course is for the students to learn the major functions of the human brain and how these functions are mediated by the brain.

Before each class the students will be asked to read a chapter in the book “Matter of Mind” and during the course the brain function that they read about will be discussed.

The first class will be the Introduction. This will be followed by classes about: 2) Language, 3) Emotions, 4) Attention, 5) Self-Awareness, 6) Memory, 7) Motor Skills, 8) Sensory Perception, 9) Conation-Intention, 10) Summary.

At the end of this course, students will be expected to have learned about how many of the most important cognitive functions are performed by the brain. They will also will be asked to write an essay. Their grade will be based on their discussions during the class and their essay.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/ .

Class Demeanor

Students will be expected to arrive to class on time and behave in a manner that is respectful to the instructor and to fellow students. Please

avoid the use of cell phones and restrict eating to outside of the classroom. Opinions held by other students should be respected in discussion, and conversations that do not contribute to the discussion should be held at minimum, if at all.

Materials and Supplies Fees

There are no additional fees for this course.

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The Honor Code (<https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conducthonor-code/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.