

PSYC 3303/BIOL 3303/HEED3303: Drugs and Behavior
Spring 2024

Instructor Information

Instructor(s)

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Faculty Profile

Will add later

Office Hours

Will schedule by email

Course Information

Section Information

PSYC 3303-001/BIOL3303-001/HEED3303-001

Time and Place of Class Meetings

ROOM: SEIR-198, M/W 4:00-5:20 p.m. Classes will be held on campus.

Description of Course Content

3303. Drugs and Behavior (3-0) 3 hours credit. Psychoactive agents, their therapeutic uses, and social abuses. Alcohol, nicotine, caffeine, narcotics, hallucinogens, stimulants, and tranquilizers.

Student Learning Outcomes

The goals of this course are as follows:

1. survey the major categories of drugs and to describe their intended and unintended effects (main and side effects, respectively);
2. understand drug-taking behaviors including use, misuse and abuse;
3. describe the means by which we can become better consumers of information about drugs;
4. upon completion of this course, students will be able to identify, describe and explain psychoactive agents, their therapeutic uses, and social misuses/abuses.

Required Textbooks and Other Course Materials

Hart, Carl L., Charles J Ksir (2022). Drugs, Society, & Human Behavior, 18th Ed., McGraw Hill. 978-1-260-71105-9. Students may be using the Smartbook (eBook) by Hart and Ksir (Drugs, Society & Human Behavior, 18th ed., McGraw Hill, NY). This class has adopted Inclusive Access, meaning that once you register for the class, you have automatic access to the book via the McGraw Hill learning system called Connect. The charge for your eBook (approx. \$94) goes directly to your UTA account, making it eligible for Financial Aid. You have until the census date to "opt out" of the

purchase. Please see the student registration information provided in the “McGraw Hill Connect and Textbook Access Information” module in Canvas for information regarding online registration instructions to obtain access to the book.

Descriptions of major assignments and examinations

Module Exams – you will be required to complete four module exams at 100 points each = total of 400 points. See the Course Schedule for due dates.

Technology Requirements

All lectures for this course will be conducted face-to-face. All exams will be administered in class. you will be required to access. You will need to access Canvas to monitor your grades. Students can access a tutorial regarding Canvas by clicking on the “Get Started” box in the Canvas Homepage.

Grading Information

Grading

Assignments	Points	Totals
Module Exams	4 @ 100 points each	400 points

TOTAL: 400 possible points

Final Grade

Points	Letter Grade
360-400	A
320-359	B
280-319	C
240-279	D
<240	F

Students are expected to keep track of their performance throughout the semester, which Canvas facilitates, and seek guidance from available sources (including the instructor) if their performance drops below satisfactory levels; see “Student Support Services” below.

Make-up Exams/Assignments

A single “make-up” exam session for missed exams will be administered in the testing center upon request. A request for taking a make-up exam must be made in writing. Please note: A “make-exam” is **not** a “do-over” exam for poor performance on a previously taken exam.

Grade Grievances

Any appeal of a grade in this course must follow the procedures and deadlines for grade-related grievances as published in the current University Catalog. For undergraduate courses, see [Undergraduate Grading Policies](#); for graduate courses, see [Graduate Grading Policies](#). For student complaints, see [Student Complaints](#).

Course Schedule

Review the [Academic Calendar](#) for necessary dates.

Wednesday 1/17 Chapter 1

Monday	1/22	Chapter 2
Wednesday	1/24	Chapter 3
Monday	1/29	Chapter 4
Wednesday	1/31	Chapter 4
Monday	2/5	Exam One Chapters 1-4
Wednesday	2/7	Chapter 5
Monday	2/12	Chapter 6
Wednesday	2/14	Chapter 7
Monday	2/19	Chapter 8
Wednesday	2/21	Chapter 8
Monday	2/26	Exam Two Chapters 5-8
Wednesday	2/28	Chapter 9
Monday	3/4	Chapter 10
Wednesday	3/6	Chapter 11
Monday	3/11	Spring break
Wednesday	3/13	Spring break
Monday	3/18	Chapter 12
Wednesday	3/20	Chapter 12
Monday	3/25	Exam Three Chapters 9-12
Wednesday	3/27	Chapter 13
Friday	3/29	Last day to drop
Monday	4/1	Chapter 14
Wednesday	4/3	Chapter 15
Monday	4/8	Chapter 15-16
Wednesday	4/10	Chapter 16
Monday	4/15	Chapter 16-17
Wednesday	4/17	Chapter 17
Monday	4/22	Chapter 17-18
Wednesday	4/24	Chapter 18
Monday	4/29	Chapter 18 & Review
Friday	May 3	Final Exam 2-4:30 Chapters 14-18

NOTE: *As the instructor for this course, I reserve the right to adjust this schedule in any way that serves the educational needs of the students enrolled in this course. - Zane Grubaugh, MA*

Institutional Information

UTA students are encouraged to review the below institutional policies and informational sections and reach out to the specific office with any questions. To view this institutional information, please visit the [Institutional Information](https://resources.uta.edu/provost/course-related-info/institutional-policies.php) page (<https://resources.uta.edu/provost/course-related-info/institutional-policies.php>) which includes the following policies among others:

- Drop Policy
- Disability Accommodations
- Title IX Policy
- Academic Integrity
- Student Feedback Survey
- Final Exam Schedule

Additional Information

Face Covering Policy

Face coverings are not mandatory, all students and instructional staff are welcome to wear face coverings while they are on campus or in the classroom.

Attendance

At The University of Texas at Arlington, taking attendance is not required but attendance is a critical indicator of student success. Each faculty member is free to develop his or her own methods of evaluating students' academic performance, which includes establishing course-specific policies on attendance. While UT Arlington does not require instructors to take attendance in their courses, the U.S. Department of Education requires that the University have a mechanism in place to verify Federal Student Aid recipients' attendance in courses. UT Arlington instructors should be prepared to report the last date of attendance as part of the final grading process. Specifically, when assigning a student a grade of F, faculty must report the last date a student attended their class based on evidence of academic engagement such as a test, participation in a class project or presentation, or an engagement online via Canvas. This date is reported to the Department of Education for federal financial aid recipients.

Distance education courses require regular and substantive online interaction and participation. Students must participate in online course activities to demonstrate attendance; logging into an online class is not sufficient by itself to demonstrate attendance

Emergency Exit Procedures

Should we experience an emergency event that requires evacuation of the building, students should exit the room and move toward the nearest exit, which is located to the left when exiting the classroom. When exiting the building during an emergency, do not take an elevator but use the stairwells instead. Faculty members and instructional staff will assist students in selecting the safest route for evacuation and will make arrangements to assist individuals with disabilities.

Evacuation plans may be found at [Evacuation Route Maps \(Buildings\)](#). Please, take time to review and familiarize yourself with the [Emergency/Fire Evacuation Procedures](#). Students should also be encouraged to subscribe to the MavAlert system that will send information in case of an emergency to their cell phones or email accounts. Anyone can subscribe at [Emergency Communication System](#).

Academic Success Center

The Academic Success Center (ASC) includes a variety of resources and services to help you maximize your learning and succeed as a student at the University of Texas at Arlington. ASC services include supplemental instruction, peer-led team learning, tutoring, mentoring and TRIO SSS. Academic Success Center services are provided at no additional cost to UTA students. For additional information visit: [Academic Success Center](https://www.uta.edu/student-success/course-assistance) (https://www.uta.edu/student-success/course-assistance). To request disability accommodations for tutoring, please complete this [form](https://www.uta.edu/student-success/course-assistance/tutoring/request) (https://www.uta.edu/student-success/course-assistance/tutoring/request).

The IDEAS Center (https://www.uta.edu/ideas/) (2nd Floor of Central Library) offers **FREE tutoring** and **mentoring** to all students with a focus on transfer students, sophomores, veterans and others undergoing a transition to UT Arlington. Students can drop in or check the schedule of available peer tutors at www.uta.edu/IDEAS, or call (817) 272-6593.

The English Writing Center (411LIBR)

The Writing Center offers **FREE** tutoring in 15-, 30-, 45-, and 60-minute face-to-face and online sessions to all UTA students on any phase of their UTA coursework. Register and make appointments online at the [Writing Center](#). Classroom visits, workshops, and specialized services for

graduate students and faculty are also available. Please see [Writing Center: OWL](#) for detailed information on all our programs and services.

The Library's 2nd floor [Academic Plaza](#) offers students a central hub of support services, including IDEAS Center, University Advising Services, Transfer UTA and various college/school advising hours. Services are available during the [library's hours](#) of operation.

Librarian to Contact

Each academic unit has access to [Librarians by Academic Subject](#) that can assist students with research projects, tutorials on plagiarism and citation references as well as support with databases and course reserves.

Emergency Phone Numbers

In case of an on-campus emergency, call the UT Arlington Police Department at **817-272-3003** (non-campus phone), **2-3003** (campus phone). You may also dial 911. Non-emergency number 817-272-3381

Library Information

Research or General Library Help

Ask for Help

- [Academic Plaza Consultation Services](#) (library.uta.edu/academic-plaza)
- [Ask Us](#) (ask.uta.edu/)
- [Research Coaches](#) (http://libguides.uta.edu/researchcoach)

Resources

- [Library Tutorials](#) (library.uta.edu/how-to)
- [Subject and Course Research Guides](#) (libguides.uta.edu)
- [Librarians by Subject](#) (library.uta.edu/subject-librarians)
- [A to Z List of Library Databases](#) (libguides.uta.edu/az.php)
- [Course Reserves](#) (https://uta.summon.serialssolutions.com/#!/course_reserves)
- [Study Room Reservations](#) (openroom.uta.edu/)