

Rehabilitation Sciences-Faculty of Health Sciences/Western University  
RS4605A Rehabilitation Psychology Fall Term 2023

With this, I respect the longstanding relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers. We acknowledge historical and ongoing connections with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Treaty. We accept responsibility as a public institution to contribute toward revealing and correcting miseducation as well as renewing respectful relationships with Indigenous communities through our teaching and community service.

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Lecture Hours: [REDACTED]

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## DESCRIPTION

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**Course Description:** This course will cover a range of applications of psychology in rehabilitation. Topics such as pain management, cognitive training and psychological adjustment to disability will be explored using examples of rehabilitation of traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury and sport injury.

**Course Format:** Lecture hours; 0.5 credit course. IN PERSON

**Prerequisites:** Health Sciences 4091A section 001 if taken in 2011-12 or 2012-13

**Learning Objectives:** Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

- 1. Appreciate the broad field of rehabilitation psychology and its application to health care.
- 2. Understand the mind-body connection in the context of health rehabilitation.
- 3. Explore the rehabilitation psychology framework that includes cognitive and behavioural components, application, and research.
- 4. Develop a strong platform for understanding the application of theory to practice.

- Course Outcomes:** (Let's do this!)
6. Rehabilitation Psychology as a profession
  7. Sports and orthopaedic injury
  8. Brain Injury and Spinal Cord injury
  9. Coping and Resilience
  10. Clinical Context and Applications

**Prerequisite Checking:** Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you will be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

Required Course Material Course texts and readings are available online through the University of Western Ontario library system



## 8. Academic Consideration

The University recognizes that a student's ability to meet their academic responsibilities may, on occasion, be impaired by extenuating circumstances, including short-term illness or injury. Reasonable academic consideration is a cooperative process between the University, the student, and academic staff. All participants in the process must act in good faith, and fulfil their respective obligations, if it is to succeed.

Students who experience an extenuating circumstance (illness, injury, or other extenuating requirements, may submit a request for academic consideration through the following routes:

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Students seeking academic consideration

- Are advised to consider carefully the implications of postponing tests or midterm exams or delaying handing in work;
- Are encouraged to make appropriate decisions, based on their specific circumstances, œ }P v]]]vP šZ š u]v}œ ]o u vš • ~ X P X U µ%• š •š}œ œZ •v}œ œ%• not normally an appropriate basis;
- Must communicate with their instructors no later than 24 hours after the end of the period covered by SMC, or immediately upon their return following a documented absence;
- Are advised that all necessary documentation, forms, etc. are to be submitted to academic

## 11. Common Concerns Guidelines

The table below summarizes a list of common student concerns and how they are to be resolved. If you have a concern that is not listed here, then please email your instructor.

