

Program	BS (4 Years)	Course Code	APSY-233	Credit Hours	3
Course Title	Cross-Cultural Psychology				
Course Introduction					
<p>Cross-Cultural Psychology aims to identify those human experiences and behaviors that are common to all humanity and those that are modified by the environment to varying degrees across cultures. The course is aimed to develop students' competencies and interest in culture and psychology field. After fulfilling the course, students will know basic approaches of modern cross-cultural psychology and their implementation in different areas of their everyday activity in multicultural settings. During the course students get acquainted with what cross-cultural psychology is, how it differs from other related spheres of psychology and how it can be applied to scientific and real-life situations. Students will learn how to measure and map different cultures and understand culture's impact on cognition, personality and communication. Students will study the factors and outcomes of successful acculturation and intercultural relations.</p>					
Learning Outcomes					
<p>On the completion of the course, the students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have complete awareness about cultural diversity 2. Know about psychological theories and practices in cross cultural context. 3. Knows main theoretical approaches explaining cultural influences on personality and behavior 4. Apply knowledge of cross-cultural psychology to solve problems occurring in intercultural relations in different contexts/levels 5. To conduct cross cultural research. 					
Course Contents					
<p>Understanding Cross Cultural Psychology Defining and understanding culture Historical and theoretical foundations Nature and scope of cross cultural psychology Acculturation and multiculturalism</p> <p>Cross-Cultural Research Methodological issues in cross cultural research Considerations for conducting cross cultural research Translation, adaptation and application of psychological tests across cultures Indigenous research and current issues across cultures</p> <p>Human Development and Socialization: Culture and developmental processes Culture and social behaviors Parenting practices across cultures Social perception and social cognition Social interaction: Conformity, social influence, social loafing Intergroup and intergenerational relations across cultures Emotional development and regulation processes across cultures Ethnocentrism, prejudice, stereotyping, and discrimination Gender and sex trait stereotypes Culture and identity Culture, language, and communication</p>					

Application of Cross Cultural Psychology

Mental health, Intelligence

Individual and Community

Happiness, success and well being

Spirituality and religion

Human rights and law

Global Community, Immigration

Textbooks and Reading Material

2.1 Books

- Berry, J. W., Dasen, P. R., & Saraswathi, T. S. (Eds.). (1997). *Handbook of cross-cultural psychology*.(Vol. I). Boston: Alyn& Bacon.
- Berry, J. W., Poortinga, Y. H., & Pandeyn, J. (Eds.). (1997). *Handbook of cross-cultural psychology*.(Vol.I). Boston: Alyn& Bacon.
- Kagitcibasi, C. (1996). *Family and human development across cultures*. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, Publishers.
- Keith, K. D. (Ed.). (2019). *Cross-cultural psychology: Contemporary themes and perspectives*. John Wiley & Sons.
- Laungani, P. D. (2007). *Understanding cross cultural psychology*. India: Sage Publications Ltd.
- Matsumoto, D. & Juang, L. (2004). *Culture and psychology*. Sydney: Thomson's Wadsworth.
- Rohner, R. P. (1986). *The warmth dimension: Foundation of parental acceptance rejection theory*. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage Publication, Inc.
- Rohner, R. P. (1999). *Handbook for the study of parental acceptance and rejection*. Stress. CT: University of Connecticut.
- Shiraev, E. B., & Levy, D. A. (2020). *Cross-cultural psychology: Critical thinking and contemporary applications*. Routledge.

2.2 Journal Articles/ Reports

- Tam, K. P., & Chan, H. W. (2017). Environmental concern has a weaker association with pro-environmental behavior in some societies than others: A cross-cultural psychology perspective. *Journal of Environmental Psychology*, 53, 213-223.
- Güss, C. D. (2018). What is going through your mind? Thinking aloud as a method in cross-cultural psychology. *Frontiers in psychology*, 9, 1292.
- Holtz, P., Deutschmann, E., & Dobewall, H. (2017). Cross-cultural psychology and the rise of academic capitalism: Linguistic changes in CCR and JCCP articles, 1970-2014. *Journal of cross-cultural psychology*, 48(9), 1410-1431.
- Cohen, D. (2019). Methods in cultural psychology.
- Guan, Y., Deng, H., & Zhou, X. (2020). Understanding the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on career development: Insights from cultural psychology.
- Mercon-Vargas, E. A., Poelker, K. E., & Tudge, J. R. (2018). The development of the virtue of gratitude: Theoretical foundations and cross-cultural issues. *Cross-Cultural Research*, 52(1), 3-18.
- Jensen, L. A. (2021). The cultural psychology of religiosity, spirituality, and secularism in adolescence. *Adolescent research review*, 1-12.
- Uskul, A. K., & Cross, S. E. (2019). The social and cultural psychology of honour: What have we learned from researching honour in Turkey?. *European Review of Social Psychology*, 30(1), 39-73.

Note: It is preferable to use latest available editions of books.

Teaching Learning Strategies			
1. Lectures/Tutorials 2. Semester work 3. Class participation /Presentation 4. Assignments/Class Projects 5. Quizzes			
Assessment			
Sr. No.	Elements	Weightage	Details
1.	Midterm Assessment	35%	Written Assessment at the mid-point of the semester.
2.	Formative Assessment	25%	Continuous assessment includes: Classroom participation, assignments, presentations, viva voce, attitude and behavior, hands-on-activities, short tests, projects, practical, reflections, readings, quizzes etc.
3.	Final Assessment	40%	Written Examination at the end of the semester. It is mostly in the form of a test, but owing to the nature of the course the teacher may assess their students based on term paper, research proposal development, field work and report writing etc.