

PSYCHOLOGY 337  
Human Sexuality  
Winter 2003  
M-W, 2:00-3:20; Ryan Auditorium, Tech

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Required Text:

*Human Sexuality* by LeVay and Valente (Sinauer).  
Available at Norris Center Bookstore.  
Course Packet: available at Copycat of Evanston

About the course

This course will focus on the science of sex. It is perhaps skewed toward controversial and unusual aspects of sexuality. I'll primarily be lecturing, but I hope to inspire discussion as well. Because sex makes some people uncomfortable, and because we'll be talking about some very controversial issues, it is important that everyone make an effort to be civil toward others and tolerant of other viewpoints. We will of course be talking frankly about matters that many consider intimate and personal.

Several times during the quarter, I will plan guest speakers outside of class. These will probably include a panel of gay men; lesbians; two transsexuals; a heterosexual male crossdresser; and a dominatrix. Many students find these to be quite rewarding. I will try to plan these for 4pm (they will typically last 1 hour) and will announce them well in advance. Attendance is not required but is strongly encouraged. The scheduled dates (subject to change) will be listed on the webpage as soon as they are available.

Examinations

There will be two exams for the course: a midterm and a final. Both exams will be multiple choice in format and will cover all assigned reading, lecture material, and movies. Each exam will count for approximately 50% of your final grade. The first midterm will be held in class on Wednesday February 5. The final exam will be held on Wednesday March 19, at 9am.

The exams will be given only during the scheduled hours -- there will be no early exams, and hopefully no late exams. If a student misses an exam, s/he should contact one of the teaching assistants *as soon as possible*. *There will be a 10% penalty for taking a make-up exam unless the student has a verified excuse from a doctor, a dean or the athletic department (athletic excuses should be okayed before the exam)*. Be sure to mark the exam dates clearly on your calendar so you won't miss them or schedule other activities for those days.

This is a guide for topics and readings. I may deviate from this a bit, and will try to let you know where I'm going if I do so. The "Readings" lists tell you what you should be reading along with for the lectures preceding the lists. Some sections have lots more readings than others, so I'd advise reading ahead.

January 6 Evolution of Sex, Part 1  
January 8 Evolution of Sex, Part 2  
January 13 Evolution of Sex, Part 3  
January 15 Evolution, Finale, Sex and Culture  
Readings: Textbook (Chapters 1-2); Packet: Robert Wright ("Why men are beasts"); Steven Pinker's book chapter

January 20 Sexual Differentiation and Development,  
January 22 Sex Differences  
January 27 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity  
Readings: Textbook (Chapters 4-6, Chapter 7 pages 198-213, Chapter 13), Packet: Bailey (Chapters from *The Man Who Would Be Queen*)

January 29 Paraphillias  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 14), Packet: Bailey and Greenberg article on castration

February 3 Rape  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 18), Packet: Gilbert

### **February 5 First Exam**

February 10 Childhood Sexual Abuse  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 12 pages 376-394)  
Packet: US News, Rabinowitz, Doe, Rind article, Crews article; Bailey & Shriver

February 12 Attraction and Attractiveness  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 7 pages 191-198, 214-215)

February 17 Sexual Arousal  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 3, Chapter 7 pages 216-223), Read Wagner in packet; bring to class

February 19 Sexual Behavior and Dysfunction  
Textbook (Chapters 8, 15)

February 24 Sexually Transmitted Diseases  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 16),  
Packet: Fumento, Symons ("How risky is risky sex?")

February 26 Courtship and Relationships  
Readings: Textbook (Chapter 9), Hatfield chapters

March 3 Sex at Northwestern

March 5 TBA

**March 19, 9-11AM Final exam**