

PSYC 770-001 “*Graduate workshop in Cognition and Development*”.
Spring 2008. Room 332 in the psychology building, Tuesdays 6:00-9:00 *with some 4pm lectures on some Tuesdays.*

Topic: **CULTURE AND COGNITION**

(sponsored by the new Emory Center of Mind, Brain, and Culture)

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The goal of the seminar is to discuss with and meet researchers whose works illuminate in some ways the relation between culture, cognition and its development.

As an organizing principle, following a preparatory reading seminar, every other week, invited speakers will come to make a formal presentation, then during an informal session, share and discuss their own research, answer questions from students and discuss their views on the general topic of the class (this semester, culture and cognition).

This class can be taken with a Pass/Fail evaluation based on attendance, class participation, preparation and the journal that each student will have to keep (3 sections: class notes, reading notes, personal notes). Students can also get a letter grade based on a additional minimum 10-page paper on a topic of their choice that pertains to the general theme of the class after consulting with and getting approval from the instructor.

Schedule

January 15 Introduction to the class

January 22 Discussion and presentation of papers by *Barbara Malt*, Lehigh University and by *Peter Gordon*, Columbia University/Teachers College NYC, discussion of the Whorf hypothesis, the relation between language and thought.

January 29 Follow up discussion of Whorfian views, the relation between language and thought, discussion and presentation of papers by *Harry Triandis*, University of Illinois.

February 5 Presentation by *Barbara Malt* (C&D seminar, 4pm room 201) followed by discussion 6-8pm.

February 12 Presentation by *Peter Gordon* (C&D seminar, 4pm room 201) followed by discussion 6-8pm.

February 18 Presentation by *Harry Triandis* on Culture and Mind. Inaugural lecture of the new Emory CNBC (**Colloquium, 4pm the day before) followed by discussion 6-8pm room 332..

February 26 General discussion regarding the first 3 visitors.

March 4 Preparation for the visit of *Tara Callaghan*, St Francis Xavier University. Discussion of her work and presentation of papers.

March 11 Spring break

March 18 Presentation by *Tara Callaghan* on Early Symbolic Development Across Cultures (C&D seminar, 4pm room 201) followed by discussion 6-8pm.

March 25 Preparation for the visit of *Daniela Corbetta* and *Todd Freeberg*, University of Tennessee at Knoxville. Discussion of their work and presentation of papers.

April 1 Preparation for the visit of *Daniela Corbetta* and *Todd Freeberg*, University of Tennessee at Knoxville. Discussion of their work and presentation of papers.

April 8 Presentation by *Daniela Corbetta* and *Todd Freeberg* (C&D seminar, 4pm room 201) followed by discussion 6-8pm.

April 15 Preparation for the visit of *Pascal Boyer*, Washington University. Discussion of her work and presentation of papers.

April 22 Presentation by *Pascal Boyer* (C&D seminar, 4pm room 201) followed by discussion 6-8pm.