Columbia University   **Summer 2020**
Introduction to Developmental Psychology - S2280   **Tu Th 1 – 4:10 p.m. online**

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Course description:
We will begin with an overview of Developmental Psychology and then examine development in infancy. Cognitive and social development will follow and we will trace development within each domain. The format will consist mainly of lectures and will be supplemented by video examples and student discussion. The prerequisite course is Introductory Psychology.

Required text:
How Children Develop by: Robert S. Siegler; Jenny Saffran; Nancy Eisenberg; Elizabeth Gershoff, 6th edition, 2020, Worth Publishers. LaunchPad and full e-book ISBN: 9781319269562. Please note that you must get the 6th edition, the most current. Available at http://www.columbiabookstore.com.

Grading Policy:
Your final grade will be determined by the midterm and final exams, as well as participation in class discussions. Students are expected to attend every class meeting.

Course Outline		
Date	**Topic**	**Text Chapter**
May 26	Introduction History; Theories; Social policy Research Methods; Ethics	1
Development in Infancy:		
May 28	Genetics; Prenatal development; Teratogens; Maternal risk factors; Effects of prematurity	2, 3*
June 2	Birth; Neonatal reflexes; States of arousal	2
June 4	Early Perceptual and Motor development; Learning Discussion of Infancy topics	5
Cognitive development:		
June 9	Piaget – Theory and Stages of development Conceptual development	4
June 11	Review of Infancy and Cognitive development **Midterm Exam** (Material from May 26)	1-5
June 16	Language development Conceptual development	6 7
June 18	Intelligence tests; Reading/ Writing Discussion of Cognitive topics	8
Emotional - Social development:		
June 23	Emotions; Temperament Attachment; Day care Socialization, Culture, Family	10* 11* 12*
June 25	Peers; Friendship Moral Development Gender Development	13* 14* 15*
June 30	Discussion of Emotion/Social development topics	
July 2	Review of Cognitive and Social development **Final Exam** (Material from June 16)	6-8;10-15*

*Selected sections of the chapter