



Course program and reading list

Semester 2 Year 2024

School: Baruch Ivcher School of Psychology

How to Call Out Nonsense: Social Cognition in Everyday Life

Lecturer:

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Course No.:	Course Type :	Weekly Hours :	Credit:
4932	Elective	2	2

Course Requirements :	Group Code :	Language:
Home Exam	242493200	English

Prerequisites

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8000 – Introduction to Psychology



Course Description

This course aims to empower students to critically engage with information, identify biases, and navigate the complex landscape of social cognition in everyday life.



Course Goals

Through a blend of theoretical insights and practical exercises, participants will learn to discern truth from deception and make informed judgments in various domains.



Grading

Attendance according to university regulations

Reading the chapters and papers from the list

Final exam – 100% of the course's grade



Lecturer Office Hours

by appointment via email



Reading List

Week	Date	Subject	Reading
1	27.3	Introduction	
2	3.4	Attention and perception	Kahneman Thinking Fast and Slow chapters 1-3, 5
3	10.4	Memory	
4	17.4	Passover break	
5	24.4	Passover break	
6	1.5	Heuristics and Biases	Kahneman Thinking Fast and Slow chapters 10-12 Kahneman Thinking Fast and Slow 14-15
7	8.5	Heuristics and Biases	Calling Bullshit, Carl T. Bergstrom and Jevin D. West. Chapter 6
8	15.5	Mindsets and Narratives	Yeager, D. S., Hanselman, P., Walton, G. M., Murray, J. S.,

			Crosnoe, R., Muller, C., ... & Dweck, C. S. (2019). A national experiment reveals where a growth mindset improves achievement. <i>Nature</i> , 573(7774), 364-369.
9	22.5	Statistics	Calling Bullshit, Carl T. Bergstrom and Jevin D. West. Chapter 4
10	29.5	Science	Calling Bullshit, Carl T. Bergstrom and Jevin D. West. Chapter 9
11	5.5	AI, social media and misinformation	Calling Bullshit, Carl T. Bergstrom and Jevin D. West. Chapter 8
12	12.6	Shavuot break	
13	19.6	Summary	
14	TBD	Make up class – applying bullshit to the real-world	