

**PSYT 550A  
Course Evaluation Form**

1 = Strongly  
Disagree5 = Strongly  
Agree

1	The course and class presentations were well organized.	4.7
2	The instructor made it clear what students were expected to learn.	4.7
3	Assigned readings and course requirements were relevant to course objectives.	5.0
4	The course challenged me intellectually.	5.0
5	Assignments required by the instructor were useful learning experiences.	5.0
6	The class atmosphere was conducive to learning.	5.0
7	The instructor treats students with respect.	5.0
8	The instructor communicated the subject matter effectively.	5.0
9	The instructor effectively encouraged students to ask questions and give answers.	5.0
10	The instructor demonstrated an openness to other points of view.	4.7
11	The instructor showed concern for student learning.	5.0
12	Overall, I learned a great deal in this course.	5.0

**Written evaluations:**

This course is a gem. I would highly recommend it to any student who wants to take a course that will challenge them cognitively as well as ask them to examine themselves and strive to be a better human being.

This course was structured in a way where true learning could take place. Often material is presented in a way where it seems like you have to cram in a bunch of facts and then they no longer apply the next week. This was not the case in this course. It felt we were thoroughly examining the topics at hand, wrestling with the subjects, and constructing understanding along the way.

We explored development from so many avenues: Cognitively, socially, culturally, spiritually, biologically, neurologically. While I learned so much about these areas of development, what I appreciate most about the course is how much I learned about myself. This course asked me to examine my own development and challenge my prior assumptions. How often does a course ask you to do this?

Thank you very much for leading fantastic discussions, pinpointing important points, always being encouraging and patient during the class. The inspiration and wisdom that were delivered during the class made changes in many aspects of my life.

This course has taught me that it is okay to not know. Rather, the journey of life is about embracing the unknown and continuing to discover.

Dr. Diamond brings so much love and personal care to her classroom. She is direct and will tell you when you are wrong. She provides so much feedback to help improve learning.

I love the engaging and interactive class environment that was built by everyone in our class.

I found the selections of readings to be particularly cohesive for this course. The themes of the course built upon one another and readings at the end of the course tied back to the concepts learned at the start as well.

I found the slides to be very helpful. We covered so much information in each class, and sometimes I couldn't write notes fast enough to keep up. It was a relief to know that I would be able to refer back to the slides after class and before the final. I am sure they took a lot of effort to create, but I really appreciated them.

I loved the readings and all of the topics. I don't have much criticism because they all flowed nicely into each other. The way the course was organized was beautiful. We continued to build upon each topic each week.

What stood out to me as one of the greatest acts of care and love is that she met with each student at the start of the term for a personal meeting. This meeting gave us time to connect with her as a person and talk about our lives. It was so clear how much she cared about us through this action. I know very few professors who take such time out of their busy lives to just sit and listen to their students talk about life outside of the classroom. Beyond this activity, her warmth extended to each classroom discussion. She was very respectful when she needed to redirect a class conversation or correct something that a student said. I loved that she did this.