PSY306Y0
Psychology Abroad - Disability: Culture and Inclusion

Course description:
Interdisciplinary seminar on the life-long development of individuals with exceptionalities. Topics include controversial social and educational issues (e.g., inclusion vs. segregation), legal, family, and economic issues, disability across the lifespan, sexuality, communication disorders, hearing and visual impairment, autism, and acquired brain injury. Special emphasis will be placed on historical, cultural, and national factors that play a determining role as to whether impairment leads to the psychological experience of disability.

Exclusion: PSY345H5, 442Y5

Prerequisites: Enrollment in any Psychology or Social Science Major or Specialist and completion of 8.0 FCE

Field Trips (tentative):
Students will visit museums including the Freud Museum, the Bethlem Museum of the Mind, the Langdon Down Museum of Learning Disability, the Science Museum (The Science and Art of Medicine and Health Matters exhibitions), and the British Optical Association Museum – all in London. Students will also meet with and hear presentations from UK experts on disability.

Instructor Bio:
Dr. Stuart Kamenetsky serves as Associate Chair and Director of the Psychology Undergraduate Program at the University of Toronto Mississauga. He teaches courses on disability, cross cultural psychology, and child development, and carries out research on the perception of disability images, building social capital (http://buildingsocialcapital.org/) and on student accommodation in post-secondary education. As an advocate for people with disabilities he delivers public talks on social inclusion. He has spent many years supporting people with disabilities in a variety of social service agencies as well as the child welfare system. He is well connected with school boards, provincial residential schools and agencies where his students gain practical experience in the field.

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