Psychology 251: Developmental Psychology

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The multiple choice questions on the final, however, will only be on the preceding section. The final exam essay questions are given at the end of this syllabus in order to allow you to think about these questions throughout the course.

Exam Policy

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something is covered in the lectures but not in the book it has a very good chance of being on the test. And if something is covered in the book but is not covered in the lecture, it is still fair game, but is definitely less likely. In other words, you are definitely well-served by coming to class! Please show your respect for me and your fellow students by turning off your cell phones, remaining reasonably quiet i

Essay #2:

concept of the child was of a very active child, not a passive one. Do you think that the child is an active contributor to their own development? Use examples from at least four domains of development (emotional, language, cognitive, motor, etc) and research to discuss whether or not, and how (or how not), the child is an active contributor to their own development.

Essay #3: Some theorists (Piaget, Kohlberg etc.) are/were convinced that development occurs in stages, with each stage being qualitatively different from the last. Other theorists describe development as a continuous process, with the only changes being quantitative in nature. Discuss one of these positions in detail (i.e. the continuous or discontinuous position), using at least four clear examples of research that back up this position. Are there research studies or findings that disagree with the position you have described? What might be a better way of thinking about development?

Essay #4: Development in certain domains of development (e.g. motor, cognitive, language, and

Lecture Date