



Bachelor's courses Faculty of Behavioural and Movement Sciences

VU University Amsterdam - Student- & Onderwijszaken - Exchange programme Vrije Universiteit - 2018-2019

Cognition and Emotion

Course code	P_BCOGNEM ()
Period	Period 5
Credits	6.0
Language of tuition	English
Faculty	Fac. der Gedrags- en Bewegingswetensch.
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Teaching method(s)	Lecture, Practical
Level	300

Course objective

To introduce students to the new interdisciplinary field that investigates the interactions between cognitive and emotional processes on behavioral and neurophysiological levels

Course content

Human behavior and mental life cannot be fully understood without understanding the role of emotions. However, until recently emotional processes have been studied in isolation from basic cognitive processes, such as attention, perception, memory and language. The present course will present an integrative view of cognitive and emotional processes based on the recent behavioral and neuroscientific evidence. The topics that are covered will include the influence of emotional information on allocation of visual attention and memory encoding, the role of emotional states on perception, attention and memory, emotions and decision making, as well as measuring emotions and lie detection.

Form of tuition

Lectures, practical assignments, quizzes

Type of assessment

open-end exam

Course reading

"Emotion Science: Cognitive and Neuroscientific Approaches to Understanding Human Emotions" by Elaine Fox

"The Emotional Brain" by Joseph LeDoux