

Code: Perlman

APD 1210 RESEARCH PRACTICUM COURSE

PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS 2025-26

FALL/WINTER

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TITLE OF RESEARCH PROJECT: Eastern Values, Western Context: Parenting Insights from South Asian

Mothers in Canada

NUMBER OF STUDENT PLACES AVAILABLE: 1-2

PRIMARY MODE OF RESEARCH PLACEMENT PARTICIPATION:

____IN PERSON ____REMOTE (ONLINE) _X_HYBRID/FLEXIBLE

The majority of the project will be completed online. Data collection may be in-person, and lab meetings will be hybrid.

OBJECTIVES AND METHODOLOGY: Research on how South Asian first-generation Canadian mothers or 1.5-generation immigrants balance Eastern and Western parenting practices is scarce. The purpose of this qualitative study is to gain a deeper understanding of the phenomenon by interviewing these mothers about their experiences raising children today. We will conduct interviews, and the interview transcripts will be analyzed using thematic analysis to identify key themes related to the parenting experience.

DESCRIPTION OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION: Students will be expected to attend the lab once a week, virtually or in person. They will be responsible for the following steps in this project: Writing a proposal, reviewing literature, transcribing, and qualitative coding.

DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED SKILLS/BACKGROUND (OPTIONAL): This position requires the ability to navigate through and critically evaluate empirical research. Students will be interviewed about their previous research experience, understanding of research methods, and experience working within a group setting. Familiarity with this methodology is not mandatory but highly encouraged.

DAY AND TIMES OF LAB MEETINGS: The time and day for the fall/winter semester lab meetings have not been set.