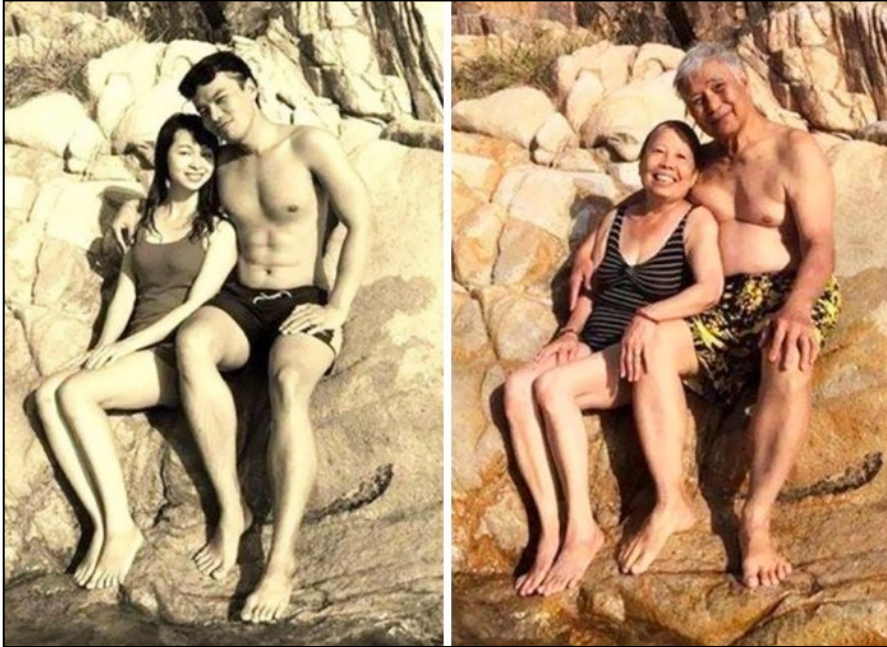


# INTIMACY OVER THE LIFE COURSE



- Relationships: How does coupling and uncoupling affect our lives?
- How do we form, maintain, and repair or dissolve relationships in different life stages?
- Skill acquisition: Learn how to interview and survey human subjects for purposes of research.

Love, attachment, conflict, communication, heartbreak; all parts of the experience that coupling and uncoupling bring into our lives. This course will trace some identifiable cycles of romance, including relationship formation, relationship maintenance, relationship repair, and dissolution. The class emphasizes how stages vary depending on the age of the participants, with a particular focus on changes from adolescence to old age.

Students will read interdisciplinary academic articles alongside popular press on relationships and intimacy. Students will also conduct original qualitative research and complete a research paper with interview subjects. You might find the topic so fascinating that you will want to continue studying intimate relationships professionally!

Grades for the course will be based on class participation, a 24-hour take home test, and the quality of the research paper.

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