Section: Undergraduate Student Policies

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Subject: Research Requirement for PSY 1010 Students

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Research requirement for PSY 1010 students

All students in all sections of Psy 1010 are expected to earn 4 research credits. Students can do this by participating in research, reading and responding to research articles, or a combination of the two. Research credits are assigned as follow:

1 SONA credit = 1 research credit

1 research article review = 1 research credit

Research participation is worth 5% of students' overall grades.

Students must earn at least 2 of their 4 research credits prior to the mid-point in the semester and all research requirements must be completed by the last day of classes.

These options are outlined below in more detail.

Option 1: Participate in Research

Students who select this option earn research credits through SONA by participating in USU approved research studies. This option is not available to students under the age of 18 given the requirements for research consent. To participate in research studies, students must create an account with SONA (https://usu.sona-systems.com) and register for studies within SONA.

Option 2: Research Article

Select an article to read from the ones posted on Canvas (about 10 or so articles will be posted)

For each article, write a 500-word response to the following prompts:

- 1. What was the overall purpose of the study?
- 2. Describe the methods and results of the study (what was the impact of the I.V. on the D.V.?)
- 3. What are the implications of this study?
- 4. Connect this research study with your own life or information in the textbook
- 5. Does the study have external validity?
- 6. Is this study ethical?

Papers are graded on a P/F basis. Students who respond to all prompts will receive a P grade (and full points) for the assignment.