

PSY4911 (SOCIAL): Research Methods in Social Psychology
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Instructor

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Description

This is a course on research methods and applications in personality and social psychology. You will choose a social psychology faculty member (Drs. Ratliff, Rodriguez, Shepperd, Smith, Webster, or Westgate) and/or graduate students with whom to work. Activities will vary across labs and semesters. During Week 1 of the semester, contact the specific professor or graduate student(s) with whom you have been approved to conduct the research activities. Complete the PSY4911 Research Form and indicate Social Psychology under "area."

Objectives

You will learn to perform multiple research skills, including but not limited to: (a) data collection, entry, cleaning, and analysis; (b) reading, summarizing, and critiquing journal articles; and (c) managing in-person and online participant data collection.

Textbook

There is no specific textbook for this course, but your lab will most likely recommend or assign readings related to research projects.

Lab Meetings

Lab meeting frequency varies across labs, but most meet once per week. Attendance policies are set by each lab's supervisor.

Lab Activities

Lab activities vary, but most labs have active research projects that include daily or weekly activities. Your specific activities will be arranged by your research supervisor.

Attendance and Make-up Work

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies that can be found at:
<https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>

Grading

Your performance is graded as “Satisfactory” or “Unsatisfactory.” At mid-term, the coordinator will check in with each lab supervisor and report to you if any concern has arisen regarding your lab performance.

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the Disability Resource Center by visiting <https://disability.ufl.edu/students/get-started/>. It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs as early as possible in the semester.

Online Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback professionally and respectfully is available at <https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students>. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via <https://ufl.bluera.com/ufl>. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at <https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results>.

University Honesty Policy

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code.” On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Conduct Code specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the coordinator or your lab supervisor.

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care: If you or someone you know is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu, 352-392-1575, or visit U Matter, We Care [website](#) to refer or report a concern and a team member will reach out to the student in distress.

Counseling and Wellness Center: Visit the Counseling and Wellness Center [website](#) or call 352-392-1575 for information on crisis services as well as non-crisis services.

Student Health Care Center: Call 352-392-1161 for 24/7 information to help you find the care you need, or visit the Student Health Care Center [website](#).

University Police Department: Visit UF Police Department [website](#) or call 352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies).

UF Health Shands Emergency Room/Trauma Center: For immediate medical care call

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352-733-0111 or go to the emergency room at 1515 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608.

GatorWell Health Promotion Services: For prevention services focused on optimal wellbeing, including Wellness Coaching for Academic Success, visit the GatorWell [website](#) or call 352-273-4450

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support: Contact the UF Computing Help Desk at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at helpdesk@ufl.edu.

Career Connections Center: Reitz Union Suite 1300, 352-392-1601. Career assistance and counseling services. ([website](#))

Library Support: Various ways to receive assistance using the libraries or finding resources. ([website](#))

Teaching Center: Broward Hall, 352-392-2010 or to make an appointment 352-392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. ([website](#))

Writing Studio: 2215 Turlington Hall, 352-846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers. ([website](#))

Student Complaints On-Campus: Visit the Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code [website](#) for more information.

Online Student Complaints: View the Distance Learning Student Complaint Process. ([website](#))