

Department.: Psychology

Course Number: PSYC 244W

Course Title: Laboratory in Personality

Credits: 3

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Catalog Copy: First semester. Three credits. One 2-hour laboratory period. Class experimentation and some practice in research writing. Prerequisite: PSYC 202Q or STAT 110, PSYC 243, and consent of instructor.

W Criteria: Experimental design and methodology in personality research, followed by a class project written individually by each student

1. The purposes of the course are to teach students to design and report high quality research. The writing assignments are to write at least two drafts of the various sections of a research report in the style required by the American Psychological Association. The total report is at least 15 pages in length. The final report is the primary basis of the grade. If the student does not receive a passing grade on the report, the student will fail the course.

2. Each section of the report is written individually by the student following discussion of its contents in class.

3. Each written section is emailed to the instructor, who then provides detailed feedback. The feedback is to be incorporated into the final report.

Role of Grad Students: none