## **Minnesota State University Moorhead**

# **PSY 494: Undergraduate Research**

## A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 1,2,3

Lecture Hours/Week: 0

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites:

This course requires the following prerequisite

PSY 113 - General Psychology

Corequisites: None MnTC Goals: None

Student assumes responsibility in the implementation of research related to interests of a faculty supervisor or in the area of their own choosing. Weekly meeting required. Must have completed 9 credits of psychology coursework and have junior standing.

### B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 02/02/2016 - Present

#### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. To understand how the knowledge gained from this course can be used in their own personal and professional work life.

## **D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)**

- 1. Learn background information on the topic of research.
- 2. Use PsycINFO and other search engines for finding background information.
- 3. Use the background information in order to develop testable hypotheses.
- 4. Use SPSS or other statistical packages for data entry, depending on the research design used.
- 5. Use statistical packages for data analyses.
- 6. Independently prepare documents necessary for obtaining research approval through the Department Research Committee, or the MSUM IRB. If animals are used permission will be required by the IACUC.
- 7. Independently manage research participants, human or animal.
- 8. Write an APA style research report, or a summary of findings, or prepare a poster for presentation.

## E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

#### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

#### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted

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