

How to Become a Research Assistant (PSY 99P/99/199P/199)

Do you have a cumulative 3.0 GPA in the last 3 quarters? *Transfers & Freshmen, in the last 2 quarters?

No-

Then you may find a lab to volunteer with, but you may not earn units. *Volunteers still must do the trainings.

Yes-

If you find a lab to work in, you can earn 1-4 units per quarter (up to 30 units).

Find a Lab you would like to RA for & contact them regarding a possible position.

Note: Students must secure their own position by application to the lab. Visit lab web pages for instructions on how to apply to their lab specifically. Contacting Lab Managers, Faculty or Grad Students directly is acceptable, but typically less effective than submitting an application to the lab. Some applications come through the list serve. *As a good starting place, view the Research tab on the website.*

You found a position as an RA, great! Now let's get you signed up!

Freshman & Sophomore
(89.9 units or less)

Junior & Senior
(90 units or more)

Have you taken Psy 99P before?

Do you have full Psychology or Biopsychology major standing?

No-

Then you must sign up for **PSY 99P** (Pass/No Pass - research lab hours only, no written assignment required).

Yes-

Then you can choose to take **PSY 99** for a letter grade (which includes submitting a written assignment) or you can still take Psy 99P.

No-

I am still pre-major, or in another major.

Yes-

I am full major Psy or Biopsy standing.

Have you taken Psy 199P before?

No-

Then you must sign up for **PSY 199P** (Pass/No Pass - research lab hours only, no written assignment required).

Yes-

Then you can choose to take **PSY 199** for a letter grade (which includes submitting a written assignment) or you can still take Psy 199P.

For Pass/No Pass=

Fill out the Psy 99P form (including IRB # & faculty signature), print unofficial transcripts and proof of trainings.

For Letter Grade=

Fill out the Psy 99/199 form (including IRB # & faculty signature) and only print unofficial transcripts.

Bring all paperwork to [Psych East 1814 \(P&BS Main office\)](#) in order to receive add code from us.

USE ADD CODE TO ENROLL YOURSELF ON GOLD!

Check "My Schedule" to confirm you added the correct course, faculty & amount of units.

Congrats, you're a Psych & Brain Sci RA!

*1 unit= 3 lab hours!

*Paper= 2 pages per unit

Registration Notes:

Week 1= Free

Week 2-3= \$3 fee (BARC)

Week 4= No add code can be given by department and additional paperwork is now required to add. See advisor.