

# Bemidji State University

## PSY 4447: Research Laboratory

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 1,2,3,4

Lecture Hours/Week: \*.\*

Lab Hours/Week: \*.\*

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Supervised, original research in selected areas. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisites: PSY 1100, PSY 3401, and PSY 3402, or consent of instructor.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 08/25/2008 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Research conducted in the area of sustainability such as building on methods promoted by community based social marketing to encourage conservation behaviors, investigating how connection to and concern for nature relates to environmental sustainable behavior, and testing existing models of behavior change as they relate to environmentalism.
2. Directed library research; generating hypotheses; operationalizing variables and developing research designs; obtaining departmental human subjects review approval; data collection, entry, and analysis; and preparing findings for professional presentation.
3. Presenting research findings or ideas at an undergraduate psychology conference is encouraged.

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. gain an understanding of and experience in the process of conducting empirical research in the field of psychology.
2. be able to differentiate between and appreciate both survey and field research.
3. develop and apply skills in library research; research design; and data collection, entry, and analysis.
4. work as part of a research team, communicating and collaborating with peers.
5. develop skills to prepare and present research findings and ideas in a formal 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