

## Under-18 Alternative Psychology Course Credit Pool Assignment

Below are the instructions for the under-18 alternative assignment that must be completed in order for you to receive your Psychology Participant Pool credit hours.

**\*\*\* Before you begin the alternative assignment, please register on SONA and complete the prescreen questionnaire. For more information on how to register on SONA, ask your instructor, see the Participant Pool website, or contact the Participant Pool Coordinator at [psych-subjects@illinois.edu](mailto:psych-subjects@illinois.edu) \*\*\***

For this assignment, you will be completing some simulated experiments via an American Psychological Association (APA) website. You will be using the Online Psychology Laboratory (OPL) to complete these online studies. By participating in these simulated online experiments, you can experience what psychological research is really like. The website records your data from the studies. However, the data will not be used for research purposes. The only data that we will ask you to provide from this assignment is your OPL Profile ID, date of completion, the name of the study that you completed, and the confirmation number. These will be stored so that we have a record of your completion of the assignment.

Please note that you must have all required experiments completed and the necessary information submitted to the Participant Pool Coordinator **NO LATER THAN Reading Day:**

- **December 12, 2019 @ 11:59pm**

### Number of experiments required:

One simulated experiment counts as one credit. Please consult your course instructor or course syllabus to determine how many credits are required for your course.

### To complete this assignment, please follow the directions below:

1. Go to the Online Psychology Laboratory Website: <https://opl.apa.org/>
2. Create a student account by clicking “Student login”
3. Once logged in, click the “experiments” tab on the left panel
4. After you select a study, you will be asked to enter your class code  
**Your class code for Fall 2019 is: 546806**
5. Next, you will be asked your gender and age and, for some studies, additional information
6. After submitting this information, your study will begin
7. At the end of the study, you will be asked if you want to save your data. Click **SAVE DATA**. This is the only way your participation will be recorded.
8. For each study, you need to **keep a record of the Experiment Result ID** (a string of numbers, different for each study that you complete), **the name of the study taken, and the date of completion**. If you do not keep a record of this information, you will have to complete the study again.
9. **Email your NetID, OPL Profile ID (8-digit number), Experiment Result ID, Experiment Name, and Date of Completion for each experiment to the Participant Pool Coordinator**

**(psych-subjects@illinois.edu). Please wait until you have completed ALL required studies and send all the information in at once (see an example email below).**

10. Make sure you have sent the information **BEFORE the deadline (see above)**. If you do not email the required information to the Participant Pool Coordinator, you will not receive your credits because there is no way to confirm your completion of the alternative assignment without these information.

NOTE: For this assignment your computer must have Flash and Authorware plugins installed. You can wait until you start to see if your computer has the necessary plugins. If they are not installed, you will be asked to install them. If you have trouble with the plugins please consult the website's Help section or contact CITES: 217-244-7000, email [consult@illinois.edu](mailto:consult@illinois.edu).

**From:** XXXXXXXXXXX <xxxxxxx@illinois.edu>  
**To:** psych-subjects@illinois.edu  
**Subject:** [Subj Pool] Alternative Assignment Information

Hello,

I'm enrolled in PSYC101 (MWF @9:00am) and I completed the Under-18 Alternative Assignment to meet my course requirement. I've already registered on SONA and completed the prescreen.

My instructor/TA is \_\_\_\_\_. My NetID is \_\_\_\_\_ and my OPL Profile ID is \_\_\_\_\_.

- Study 1: Line Motion, 07/31/2019, ResultID: 123456789
- Study 2: Gender Perception, 08/02/2019, ResultID: 012345678
- Study 3: Numerical Memory, 08/02/2019, ResultID: 987654321

*Thank you!*