

# Independent Research

## Psy 99/199 Policies and Procedures

### **GPA requirement:**

In order for a student to enroll as a research assistant s/he must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA for the preceding 3 quarters. Summer does not count as one of the three quarters. However, if summer school courses were completed at UCSB, the grades will be weighted along with the 3 preceding quarters.

### **99 vs. 199:**

In order to enroll in a Psy 199/199P a student must:

- Be a Psychology or Biopsychology major (*NOT A PRE-MAJOR*)
- Have Upper Division standing

If a student is a pre-major, major from another department, or does not have upper division standing s/he will need to enroll in a Psy 99/99P instead.

### **Pass/No Pass vs. Letter graded:**

- Students must take Psy 99P/199P (Pass/No Pass) the first quarter
- In subsequent quarters students may enroll for a letter grade
- A research paper is required for 99/199 courses taken for a letter grade. A copy of the paper is to be submitted to the undergraduate advisor as well as the faculty sponsor BEFORE a letter grade is assigned. The highest letter grade that can be given without a paper is C.

### **Application procedure:**

Students must:

- Obtain an unofficial copy of his/her transcripts from GOLD
- Bring transcripts to the Psychology Undergraduate Office for GPA check and to obtain the contract
- Complete proposal (and Human Subjects Training Module, if required) and obtain faculty sponsor's signature as well as the protocol #
- Return completed contract (and proof of HSTM completion, if required) to the Undergraduate Advisor for an approval ('add') code

***This procedure must be repeated EACH quarter a student enrolls in independent research***

**The Psychology Department strictly enforces all policies.**

**If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact the Undergraduate Advisors**