

Under-18 Alternative Psychology Subject Pool Assignment

Below are the instructions for the **Under-18** alternate assignment that must be completed in order for you to receive your Psychology Subject Pool credit hours.

***** Before you begin the alternate assignment, please register on SONA. For more information on how to register on SONA, see the “instructions for students” file on the Subject Pool website, or contact the subject pool coordinator at 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 to complete these online studies. By participating in these simulated online experiments, you can experience what psychological research is really like. The site also provides additional interactive materials. Please note that you must have all required experiments completed and the necessary information submitted **NO LATER THAN the reading day**.

Number of experiments required:

One simulated experiment counts as one credit. You would need to complete the same number of credits as your other classmates. Please consult your course instructor or course syllabus for specific participation credit policy of your course.

The website records your data from the studies. However, it will not be used for research purposes. The only data that we will receive is your user ID, date of completion, and name of the study that you completed. This is stored so that we have a record of your completion of the assignment.

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. Follow these directions or click on the installation link on the Online Psychology Laboratory homepage (gray box above the “Students Begin Here” link). If you have trouble with the plugins please consult the website’s Help section or contact CITES: 244-7000, email consult@illinois.edu.

To complete this assignment, please follow the directions below:

1. Go to the Online Psychology Laboratory Website: <http://opl.apa.org/> .
2. Click on the link: STUDENTS BEGIN HERE... This takes you to a list of available studies.
3. Scroll down until you find a study that you want to complete. Click on the name of that study.
4. After you select a study, you will be asked to enter your class code. Your **class code for Fall 2017 is 11117**.
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 userID** (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 the userID, study name, and date of completion for each experiment to the Subject Pool Coordinator (psych-subjects@illinois.edu). **Please wait until you have completed all required studies and send all the information in at once**. Make sure you have sent the information **NO LATER THAN the reading day**.