



## Course Syllabus

<b>Course Code</b> PSY-491A	<b>Course Title</b> Independent Research in Psychology	<b>ECTS Credits</b> 4
<b>Prerequisites</b> Permission of Instructor and Permission of Department Head	<b>Department</b> Social Sciences	<b>Semester</b> Fall, Spring, Summer
<b>Type of Course</b> Elective	<b>Field</b> Psychology	<b>Language of Instruction</b> English
<b>Level of Course</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	<b>Lecturer(s)</b> Dr Menelaos Apostolou	<b>Year of Study</b> 4 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Mode of Delivery</b> Face-to-Face	<b>Work Placement</b> N/A	<b>Co-requisites</b> None

### Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

Provide students with the opportunity to conduct research (broadly defined) on a particular topic and area that is relevant to the science of psychology. The student's research is completed under the supervision of appropriate faculty and may take the form of literature reviews, assuming an important role in research projects (e.g., data collection and entry), conducting research projects, and/or other research-related activities. The research activity is expected to require between 50 and 60 hours of student effort.

### Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Accommodate a broad range of psychological research related activities. Specific learning outcomes may vary based upon the type(s) of supervised research activity.
2. Develop a greater understanding of a particular facet of psychological research. This

facet may concentrate on a specific content area (i.e., a particular topic in the research literature) and/or a specific skill area (i.e., a particular skill used in the conduct of psychological research).

**Course Content:**

The contents of this course vary based upon the specific topic and activities supervised by the faculty member.

**Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Supervised self-directed learning with advisory sessions

**Assessment Methods:**

Research product (e.g., paper, data, data file)

**Required Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Varies with the selected psychological research enterprise				

**Recommended Textbooks / Readings:**

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Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (4 <sup>th</sup> Edition)	American Psychological Association	American Psychological Association	2007	