

PSYC220N : Research Methods

This course will introduce students to the importance of research techniques and methodologies within the field of psychology (specifically) and to science in general. They will become familiar with the strengths and limitations of empirical studies by exploring the ways in which research is explained to the general public and how essential an adequate understanding can be to the development of programs treatments and policies aimed at improving lives. We will explore the role of ethics in the research process and identify ways that social scientists work to conduct research that helps rather than harms. The course will also examine both quantitative and qualitative approaches to social science research and students will learn and develop, conduct and write research reports.

Class Hours 3

Lab Hours 0 **Credits** 3

Prerequisites

MATH106N or MATH107N, PSYC101N.