

PHHP STUDENT RESEARCH PARTICIPATION FOR CREDIT

General Information

Participating in research is one avenue to begin to explore your interest in research and/or learn about the research process. We have therefore created the opportunity for you to become a research participant in one or more research studies being conducted by college faculty. You may earn up to 5% of a course grade in selected courses based on research participation in the College (as described below). Each hour of research counts as 1% of an eligible course's total points. (Please note that only projects in PHHP can be used for this program.)

How To Sign Up For A Project

- You will need your GATORLINK ID to sign up. Go to: <http://www.phhp.ufl.edu/respool>
- Click on *Sign Up* under the *Students* section. You will receive a list of research projects. Click on each project of interest to read a description of the type of participation needed and approximate time commitment. Below each project description is an icon labeled "Sign Up". If you click on this button, an e-mail will be sent directly to the investigator letting him or her know that you want to participate in that study. The investigator will then contact you, typically by e-mail, about participating. (Please note: A list of projects for which you volunteer is included immediately below the comprehensive project list, allowing you to track the projects you have selected.)
- Be sure to write down the name of each study for which you volunteer and the investigator listed on the web site. You will need this information to complete your participation certificate.

How To Receive Credit For Research Participation

- Go to the research web site above and click on *Participation Certificate*. Print and complete the certificates, which include **the student's copy, the instructor's copy, and the investigator's copy. Fill in the first three lines of each certificate.** The sections you should leave blank are research hours earned, study representative signature, date, and research hours applied.
- Take this completed certificate to your research session. If the research study requires more than one session, take the form to the last session. A study representative will verify the number of hours and sign and date your form.
- Determine how you want to use your research credits (i.e. as extra credit or as part of course research requirements). The eligible courses in which you can use your research credits are:

Extra Credit - Survey of Diseases and Disability (HSC 3502)
Rehabilitation Aspects of Substance Abuse (RCS 4451)
Disability Management (HSC 4558)
Introduction to Health Professions (HSC 2000)

Course Requirement - Critical Thinking in Health Care (HSC 4608)
Research Methods (HSC 3057)

- Take your certificate to the course instructor during the semester in which you are taking the course for which you want to use your research credits. You must provide the certificate by the deadline set by the course instructor; this deadline will be no later than the last day of classes.
- Please take note:
 - Under no circumstances will a research certificate be accepted after grades have been posted.
 - Your certificate must have the original study representative's signature. Copies of certificates will not be accepted. Please also remember that falsifying certificate information is a violation of the student honor code.
- The instructor will record the number of hours you are applying to the course on your student certificate. If all of your hours are used, the instructor will keep your certificate. If you have hours remaining, the instructor will return your certificate for future use and record the hours you have applied on the instructor copy. You can apply any remaining hours to other eligible courses in the same or future semester. Please remember that it is your responsibility to keep track of your certificate.

General Rules on Applying Research Hours as Extra Credit vs. Required Work

Extra Credit: You may apply your research participation hours towards the extra credit allowed in eligible courses. You may use any or all of your research hours up to a maximum of 5% of the course grade in each eligible course. If you have completed other extra credit assignments and did not receive full credit, you may use your research hours to improve your grade. However, you cannot exceed 5% of the course grade points in all of your extra credit work combined. For example, if you have already earned 3 points of extra credit by writing a paper, you could apply up to 2 hours of your research participation if the course offered a maximum of 5 points of extra credit.

Course Requirement: In courses in which a research assignment is required, research participation will represent one option in fulfilling that research requirement. An alternative to research participation will always be offered. If you elect the research participation option, you may use any or all of your research hours up to a maximum of 5% of the course grade in fulfilling the research requirement. You may also choose to complete both options (i.e. research participation and the alternative assignment) to improve your grade. However, you cannot exceed 5% of the course grade points in all research requirement work combined.