

Research Ideas
10 points

Instructions: Come up with three ideas for potential research topics and write each one out as a research question. Identify the independent and dependent variable for each question. Indicate which question you would like to use for the course project this semester.

Your ideas should be:

- Psychological in nature
- Add to the scientific literature (new)
- Something you care about

Formatting: You may type this assignment. Include your name and section number. You may refer to the example on next page.

Examples of Past Research Ideas

- What is the effect of sex education on sexual assault reporting?
- What is the effect of pervasive use of smartphones on motivation for social interaction?
- Is music therapy an effective treatment for Alzheimer's patients?
- How does satisfaction with pay influence work happiness for entry-level positions?
- Are the effects of alcohol on confidence different for extroverted and introverted individuals?
- Are there personality differences in women who choose not to have children?
- How do art activities influence mental health in an education setting?
- How do financial practices (shared vs. separate finances) effect marital satisfaction?

Submission: Submit your work to CatCourses by **9:00 AM** on **Sep 6.**
Pdf format only

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Research Ideas (Example Assignment)

1. What type of outdoor activity best helps elementary school students prior to an exam?
IV = type of outdoor activity (1. views of nature, 2. nature walk, 3. walk on track, 4. playground/recess)
DV = exam performance
Course Project
2. For people who struggle with addiction (vs. those who don't), were they more likely to be coached to repress their feelings as children?
IV = emotional upbringing
DV = addiction rates
3. Does the effectiveness of socio-emotional curriculum vary across culture?
IV = cultural group
DV = effectiveness of social-emotional education