Week 1 Overview

Undergraduate Research Methods in Psychology

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1 Learning Objective(s)

- Explain what it means to reason empirically.
- Appreciate how psychological research methods help you become a better producer of information as well as a better consumer of information.
- Describe five habits that define the work of scientists (Merton's Scientific Norms)
- Establish the differences between research producers and consumers, but also their equal importance
- Understand the general process of empirical research and science, and how science has "self-correcting" mechanisms
- Be able to discriminate between peer-reviewed, published research, and scientific journalism

2 Lecture(s) & Participation

- ☐ Week 1 Class Meeting on Monday, Jan 6 at 6:00pm EST
- ☐ **Week 1 Lecture** on scientific thinking and empiricism
- ☐ **Q & A Week 1 Discussion Board** due Monday, Jan 6 at 9:00pm EST in class

3 Reading(s)

- ☐ **Chapter 1** of Textbook

4 Homework & Assignment(s) Due

- ☐ **Introductions** due on Sunday, Jan 12 at 11:59pm EST on Blackboard