



FACULTY OF SCIENCE
SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY

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RESEARCH METHODS 2

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Aims of the Course

- 1) Provide you with a level of understanding of research methodology and inferential data analysis procedures that will allow you to choose appropriate analysis strategies for basic experimental and non-experimental designs, and to critically evaluate analyses of published experiments
- 2) Provide you with the skills necessary to carry out these analyses using the SPSS statistical package.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course you will have:

1. an intermediate-level knowledge of research methods, enabling you to:

psychology		attribute.
Critical thinking skills	3	Lectures will raise theoretical issues regarding how to quantify and communicate probabilistic information.
Values, research and professional ethics	2	All components of the course will emphasise how to draw valid conclusions from evidence
Communication skills	2	Throughout the course, emphasis will be given to communication of the outcomes of inferential analyses. The mid-semester test and final exam will assess these skills.
Learning and application of psychology	1	Lecture material, tutorial exercises and assignment will include reference to examples of applied research.

Assessment Task	Weight	Learning Outcomes Assessed	Graduate Attributes Assessed	Date of			Feedback		
				Release	Submission	Fail Deadline	Who	When	How
Mid-semester test	0 or 15%	All	1-5	Week 8 Lecture 1 April 24	Week 8 Lecture 1 April 24	Friday May 4	Lecturer	Tuesday May 8	Marks and generic feedback on Moodle.
Assignment	20%	1.1, 1.2, 3.1, 3.2	1-5	Week 8	Week 12 Thursday May 24	Thursday May 31	Marker (one of .5 40)		

Expected Resources for Students

TEXTBOOK

There is no set textbook for this course. You may wish to consult the following books held in the High Use Collection, but they are not required reading for the course.

Howell, D. C. (2012). *Statistical Methods for Psychology*. Belmont, CA : Thomson/Wadsworth.

Smithson, M. (2000). *Statistics with Confidence*. London: Sage.

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