

## **SOCPSY 3K03: RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

### **2023-24**

**Instructor:** Social Psychology faculty

**Lecture:** None

### **Course Description**

The student will work in partnership with a Social Psychology faculty member on a research project relevant to social psychology. This course is intended to provide a research opportunity in preparation for completing the 4th-year capstone course (SOCPSY 4ZZ6) and for graduate studies. Students will receive more input and play a supportive rather than leading role compared to the independent study courses (SOCPSY 41S3/6). Typically, the faculty member would have already received ethical approval for a project that the student will work on, or in some cases they may ask for help from the 3K03 student in preparing materials in anticipation of submitting an ethics application (but the faculty member will design the study). If the study already has ethics approval, the faculty member may ask the 3K03 student to assist with certain parts of the research process, for example conducting interviews, collecting quantitative data, writing part of a literature review or method section, etc. If the supervisor has multiple projects on the go, the student may contribute to different projects. The basis of the mark assigned should be agreed at the outset of the course, and might include (but is not limited to) the following: participation in bi-weekly meetings, writing a literature review or method section, conducting an agreed-on number of interviews, performing data analysis, etc.

Prerequisite(s): Registration in Level III or above in Honours Social Psychology (Research Specialist Option) and approval in advance by Program Director.

Students will need to complete this form prior to enrolling: [SOCPSY 3K03 – Research Experience Independent Research Form — Honours in Social Psychology \(mcmaster.ca\)](https://www.mcmaster.ca/socpsy3k03/research-experience-independent-research-form-honours-in-social-psychology)