**Intro to Psychology**  
**Written Assignment Instructions**

You will be required to write two separate article analyses using an article of choice from your text *Forty Studies that Changed Psychology* and another article concerning the same topic that you find in a professional journal. You will compare/contrast and critique the articles in terms of replication of the research design, enhancement of the original research, new findings or interpretations, etc. (Remember the Who? What? Where? When? How? model presented in class.)

The first assignment will be completed in stages to assist you with the process of writing a college level paper in the field of psychology. The second paper will allow you to follow the process on your own and turn in one finished product.

You may choose an alternative subject to those presented in the text with my permission. Please contact me outside of class to discuss this option. Each paper should be a minimum of four typed pages, double spaced when completed.

**Writing Project #1**

First Paper – Assignment 1:
- Choose a topic of interest from your supplementary text *Forty Studies That Changed Psychology*
- Write a description of the study that includes who conducted the study, where and when the study was conducted, how the study was conducted, and a summary of the results.
- Make every attempt to find career information on the researcher/author(s) who conducted the study. This information may help you with your critique.
- You should be able to complete this assignment in 2 typed pages.
- **NOTE:** Handwritten work is not appropriate for college level assignments.

**Due: February 13** (15 points)

Second Paper – Assignment 2:
- Find a second article on the same topic/area of research as your first paper.
- As before, write a description of the study that includes who conducted the study, where and when the study was conducted, how the study was conducted, and a summary of the results.
- Again, make every attempt to find career information on the researcher/author(s) who conducted the study.
- Provide a “Reference” sheet with citations for both of your articles in APA format.
- You should be able to complete this assignment in 2 typed pages with a separate reference page.

**Due: March 2** (20 points)
Third Paper – Assignment 3:

- Now integrate your first two papers into one paper with critique.
- Begin the paper with an introduction to the topic and why you selected it.
- Copy the text of the first two papers into this paper. Make any changes/edits that were indicated on your previously graded assignments.
- Provide a summary of the critiques of both studies as presented in the literature.
- Write your own opinion/critique on the strengths/weaknesses of both studies and include what you believe subsequent research on this topic should investigate.
- Provide a cover sheet for this paper in APA format.
- Make certain that the entire paper conforms to APA format. Consult your APA handout for guidance.
- Edit and update your “References” page to include any additional sources you used to complete the third paper and any corrections made on the previously graded reference pages.
- Submit the third paper with the first two papers attached.

**Due: Due March 13** (40 points)

Writing Project #2

- Use the process in Writing Project #1 and the remarks made on your ”Written Assignment Grade Sheet” as guides.
- Select a second topic of interest to you either from your supplementary text *Forty Studies That Changed Psychology* or reading that piqued your interest in the Myers *Psychology* text and a second research study on the same topic that you have located using the library resources.
- You may submit any portion of your written assignment to your instructor for guidance during the writing process but you will only be required to submit one final paper for grading that is a minimum of four pages in length and is written in APA format.
- Note: You may also wish to consult with the Writing Center or with Vicki Allen, Writing Tutor, in Learning Services to assist with this assignment. Be certain to take these instructions to your appointment so they understand the assignment requirements.

**Due: April 29** (75 points)
Inquiry Model for Article Analysis Assignments


WHO:
- Who conducted the research? Beyond the name you should ask...
  - What is his/her job title and career path?
    - Look for educational background
    - Places of employment
    - Important publications and/or honors
  - Who supported the study?
    - Source of finding
    - Collaborators

WHERE:
- Where was the research conducted? Look for...
  - City, state, and/or country if possible
  - Type of organization (educational, private practice, government agency, etc.)
  - Where were subjects recruited?

WHEN:
- When was the study conducted?
- Place the research in context.
  - What other important events might have been happening at the same time?
  - What important events have occurred since?

HOW:
- How was the research conducted?
  - Step-by-step description of the study

WHAT:
- What were the results of the study?
- What interpretations were make?
- What benefits were gained?