

**RICE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY
FACULTY-STUDENT CONTRACT
PSYC 485 and PSYC 488**

The faculty supervisor and student should each retain a copy of this contract after all signatures have been obtained. Students with non-Rice Psychology faculty supervisors must also obtain a signature from a member of the Rice Psychology Undergraduate (UG) Committee, who will serve as a liaison with the supervisor and submit the final grade. A signed copy of this completed contract must be submitted to the department office in Sewall 464. Students should also keep a copy for their records.

Students may not take more than 12 credit hours of PSYC 485 and PSYC 488 during their undergraduate career. Each credit hour requires approximately 42 hours of instruction/student work per semester; a three-credit hour course requires approximately 126 hours of instruction/student work per semester. **Summer terms are limited to a total of 3 credit hours for PSYC 485.**

Please complete all questions on the back of this contract.

Course (Check one):

PSYC 485 - Supervised Research
 PSYC 488 - Supervised Reading

Credit Hours:

Fall/Spring (1-6) _____
Summer (1-3) _____

Semester (Circle one):

Fall Spring Summer

Year: _____

Start Date: ____/____/____

End Date: ____/____/____

Student (Print name) _____ Student Number _____

Signature

Email

Date

TMC Faculty Supervisor (Print name) _____

Signature

Email

Date

UG Liaison for non-Rice Psychology Supervisor (Print name) _____

Signature

Email

Date

Topic:

Nature of the work required:

Lab research as determined by TMC supervisor; **please fill in specifics below.**

Nature of the end-of-semester paper:

A 6-8 page (double-spaced) paper in the format of an empirical journal article or review paper, written in APA style. Detailed requirements and formatting guidelines are provided separately by Dr. Zimmerman. The specific topic will be decided by the student and external supervisor, but must be related in some way to the research project(s) that the student was involved with during the semester. The paper is due via email to Dr. Zimmerman (caz3@rice.edu) no later than **5pm on** _____. Late papers will not be accepted; if Dr. Zimmerman does not receive the paper prior to the specified deadline, the student will be given an "F" for the paper component of their grade. A copy of the paper is also due to the external supervisor, though an earlier due date may be arranged depending on his or her schedule.

Basis of the student's grade:

The student's grade will be determined by the student's lab performance in addition to a final paper. At the end of the semester, the external supervisor must send an email to Dr. Zimmerman with 1) a recommended letter grade for the student's paper and 2) a recommended letter grade for the student's lab work throughout the semester, based on performance of the tasks specified in this contract. **These grade recommendations must be received no later than** _____; **if Dr. Zimmerman does not receive the grade recommendations by the date, she will submit a grade of "Other" (OT) to the Registrar.** Dr. Zimmerman will use these recommendations, in addition to her own assessment of the student's final paper, when calculating the final grade. Lab participation and performance will count for 2/3 of the overall grade and the paper score will count for 1/3 of the overall grade.

How often will the student meet with the faculty supervisor? _____

How many hours per week are required (including weekly meetings)? _____

Signature of Student

Signature of TMC Supervisor