

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS
NEW COURSE PROPOSAL
PROGRAM AREA: PSYCHOLOGY**

1. Catalog Description of the Course. [Include the course prefix, number, full title, and units. Provide a course narrative including prerequisites and corequisites. If any of the following apply, include in the description: Repeatability (May be repeated to a maximum of ___ units); time distribution (Lecture ___ hours, laboratory ___ hours); non-traditional grading system (Graded CR/NC, ABC/NC). Follow accepted catalog format.]

PSY 494 INDEPENDENT RESEARCH IN PSYCHOLOGY (1-3)

Prerequisite: Upper Division standing and consent of instructor

An independent research project for undergraduate students supervised by a faculty member. A written report of the research is required. Course is designated as Writing Intensive

	Units:	Hrs/Unit	Benchmark Enrollment
2. Mode of Instruction: Activity	1-3	2	25

3. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course. (Indicate whether required or elective, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) [Use as much space as necessary]

Elective in the psychology major

This course consists of a supervised research experience in an area of the student's interest within the field of psychology. Students completing this course will be able to do the following:

Students should be able to express themselves effectively in written and oral communication.

Apply and use major research methods in psychology, including design, data analysis, and interpretation

Apply psychological theories and principles to a specified problem.

Demonstrate information competence at each stage in formulating a topic. Choosing a topic and restating it in narrower and broader terms.

Support conclusions with reasoning and evidence.

4. Is this a General Education Course? If Yes, indicate GE category: No

5. Course Content in Outline Form

Varies by project

6. References.

Appleby, D. C. (1997). The handbook of psychology. New York: Longman

Danzinger, K. (1990). Constructing the subject: Historical origins of psychological research. New York: Cambridge University Press

American Psychological Association. (1994). Publication manual of the American Psychological Association. Washington, DC:

7. Qualified Faculty Harley Baker, Beatrice de Oca, Kevin Volkan

	Fall Semester:	Spring Semester:	Summer Semester:
8. Frequency	Yes	Yes	Yes

9. New Resources Required: None

10. Consultation *Attach consultation sheet from all program areas, Library, and others (if necessary)*

11. If this new course will alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program, attach a program modification

Proposer of Course: Kevin Volkan

Date: Friday, January 10, 2003

California State University Channel Islands
New Course Proposal Consultation Sheet

1. Course prefix, number, title, and units: _____

2. Program Area: _____

Recommend Approval

Program Area/Unit	Program/Unit Coordinator	YES	NO (attach objections)	Date
Art				
Business & Economics				
Education				
ESRM				
Humanities				
Liberal Studies				
Mathematics & CS				
Sciences				
Library				
Information Technology				