

CHECKLIST FOR RESEARCH DESIGN ASSIGNMENT

Due: April 17, 2003

Name: _____

Please **check off** that you have met each of the following requirements:

- This checklist is attached to the end of the paper.
 - Your name, e-mail address, and description ("Research Design") are in the top corner. There should be no cover page.
 - The first page of the assignment carries the signed statement that "This is my own work."
 - The text of this assignment has been e-mailed to bsad112@larsperner.com as discussed on p. 7 of the syllabus. The e-mail must be sent as text and not as an attachment.
 - Any sources used, even if not quoted directly, have been cited. Outside research is generally not required for this assignment.
 - If more than three consecutive words are taken from a source, these have been put in quotes.
 - The paper has been properly proof-read and does not contain the term "etc." or equivalent.
- Content issues:
- The specific question for research has been stated.
 - The method to be used and its design have been completely described. If applicable, this includes at least some sample specific questions to be asked and a justification of why these are important.
 - The specific group to be sampled (e.g., single men under 25 who live in Riverside County) has been identified, and the rationale for this choice is clearly explained.
 - A clear justification why the method or methods chosen are best suited for this task has been made. NOTE: Please do *not* automatically resort to focus groups! These are much overrated and are frequently not the best method.

I certify that this is my own work.

Signature

Date

For instructor's use:

<p>Problems if checked:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Hyperbole or other exaggerations<input type="checkbox"/> Use of empty "buzz" words<input type="checkbox"/> Ideas are not discussed in sufficient detail to be meaningful.<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to cite sources to an adequate extent<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to address course issues<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to identify relevant assumptions<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to spell out reasoning<input type="checkbox"/> Overall failure to follow instructions<input type="checkbox"/> Negligence in writing and/or proof-reading	<p>Your score: _____</p> <p>Points Possible: 100</p>
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