## **Diversity Article Analysis**

## **GOAL**

You are invited to learn more about diversity as it relates to abnormal psychology. This project is split into two separate assignments: Diversity Research Article Analysis and [Diversity Research Paper](http://moodle.augsburg.edu/moodle2013/moodle2013/mod/assign/view.php?id=89674). This is the first part of the project.

**TASK DESCRIPTION**

1. Combine your interest about a psychological disorder (e.g., panic disorder, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, ADHD, Alzheimer’s disease) with an aspect of diversity (e.g., gender, age, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation). Find at least one peer-reviewed research article that relates to your topic. Research articles are those that contain an abstract, introduction, method, results, discussion, and reference section. If the research article you find is too technical, please find one that is less challenging to read. Also, please know that the restuls section will likely include unfamiliar statistics. That's okay. Just read the discussion section for a summary of the results. Some journals that may be helpful are: Journal of Abnormal Psychology, Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, Journal of Clinical Psychology, and disorder-specific journals (e.g., Journal of Anxiety Disorders, International Journal for [Eating Disorders](http://moodle.augsburg.edu/moodle2013/moodle2013/mod/resource/view.php?id=86656)).. The article you select will be used for both parts of this project.
2. Respond to the following questions about the article you selected.

 a. What is the title of the research article?

 b. Who is (are) the author(s)?

 c. What year was the article published?

 d. Briefly describe the theory upon which the study is based.

 e. What is the main research question or hypothesis?

 f. What type of research study is it (e.g., experimental, correlational)?

 g. Who were the participants?

 h. What measure/questionnaires or apparatus were used?

 i. What was the procedure?

 j. What were the results?

 k. What conclusions did the authors make?

 l. What are the implications of the study?

**GRADING CRITERIA**

Items a – l (2 pts each) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 24

Writing style/grammar \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 1

**TOTAL POINTS EARNED**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 25

## **Diversity Article Summary**

**GOAL**

You are invited to learn more about diversity as it relates to abnormal psychology. This project is split into two separate assignments: [Diversity Research Article Analysis](http://moodle.augsburg.edu/moodle2013/moodle2013/mod/assign/view.php?id=81776) and Diversity Research Paper. This is the second part of the project.

**TASK DESCRIPTION**

1. Create a 2-3 page research summary about the research article you summarized for the first part of this project (double-spaced, 12 pt font). The following outline may help you to organize the components of your paper.
	* [Introduction](http://moodle.augsburg.edu/moodle2013/moodle2013/mod/resource/view.php?id=63164)--1st paragraph
		+ State why the topic is important to the field of abnormal psychology
		+ Briefly describe the theory or rationale for the study
		+ Briefly summarize the main hypotheses or research question(s)
	* Method--2nd paragraph
		+ Describe the participants, measures, procedures, and type of study (e.g., correlational, experimental, case study)
	* Results/discussion--3rd paragraph
		+ What did the authors conclude about the hypothesis/research questions.
		+ What are the implications of the research you summarized? In others words, how can the information from this study help people who are members of this diverse group?
	* Critical Analysis--4th paragraph
		+ Provide your analysis of the study. What were the strengths of the study? What should be done differently? What questions remain?

**WHAT TO SUBMIT**

Upload your paper as a pdf document in Moodle. Please remove your name from the document and file name for blind review.

**GRADING CRITERIA**

Theory/hypothesis summary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 5

Method summary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 5

Results, conclusion, implications \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 5

Critical analysis \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 5

Writing style/grammar \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 4

Reference and citation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 1

TOTAL POINTS EARNED \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ / 25