### Extra Credit

- **Two Ways to Earn Extra Credit:**
  - *Maximum of 20 course points*

  1. **Research Pool Participation**
     - 10 experimental credits = 20 course points (2 points per experimental credit)
     - Example: Sally does 8 experiment credits so 16 points are added to her score in PSY 395

  2. **A Journal Article Commentary**
     - 1 commentary is worth 20 course points
     - Points are all or none

### Participant Pool

- See Handout for complete details (posted on the course website).
  - Maximum of 10 half-hour credits each worth 2 extra credit points for a total of 20 extra points in 395.
  - All points must be earned by midnight on Wednesday 5 May 2010

- **Basics:**
  - [http://psychology.msu.edu/HPRSysten](http://psychology.msu.edu/HPRSysten/)
  - Create account and use Account Creation ID: psych2009

### Journal Article Commentary (Part 1)

- Due by start of the last class (29 April 2010)
- Select an article that was published within the last 5 years from one of these outlets:
  - Abnormal Psychology
  - Developmental Psychology
  - Journal of Applied Psychology
  - Journal of Experimental Psychology
  - Journal of Personality and Social Psychology
  - Health Psychology
  - Any Other Psychological Journal that I Approve
- Read the Article Very Carefully
- Must NOT be an article that you use for your paper.

### Journal Article Commentary (Part 2)

- Write a 5-6 page Summary/Commentary
- What was the point of the study?
  - What was the main hypothesis?
  - What was the Independent Variable?
  - What was the Dependent Variable?
  - What were the Operational Definitions?
  - What were the Major Results?
  - What was the Interpretation of the Results?
  - What were the Methodological Strengths and Weaknesses of the Article?