INSTRUCTOR DOCUMENTATION

Introduction

The Experiment Management System is used for the scheduling and management of a human subject pool. As an instructor, your interaction with the system will be minimal, but also painless. Your primary use of the system will be to check on the credit status of students (participants) in your courses, though in some cases you may also have the ability to grant credits to your students, as well as view which studies are available to students.

Getting Started

The system works best if you use a web browser that is less than 2 years old. It works well with Internet Explorer version 4 and above, and Netscape version 4 and above. It will work with other web browsers, and with older version of Internet Explorer and Netscape, however the layout may not be as clean. No functionality will be lost by using an older web browser. Ask your system administrator if you need help with installing or using a web browser. This documentation assumes you have a basic knowledge of how to use the web. On this system, it is not necessary to use the Back button. You can always use the toolbar on the top to navigate anywhere on the site.

Logging In

To login, go to the front page of the site (you will be given the URL by a member of your organization) and type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your password and the system is configured to allow password retrieval, you will see a link where you may choose to have your password emailed to you. Once you login, you will be presented with a Main Menu with a few options.



Figure 37 - Main Menu

Course Reports

On the Main Menu that you see after logging in, you will see an option to generate course reports. Once you click on that, you will see a list of all the courses you are an instructor for, and you have the option to generate reports for each of those courses.



Figure 38 - Course Listing

You have 3 choices for the type of report you would like to generate. All Participants will list all participants in the course. Completed Participants will list only participants who have met or exceeded their credit requirements. Incomplete Participants will list only

participants who have not met their credit requirements. Click the link for the desired report.

The report will be listed in alphabetical order by a participant's last name, and participants that have not completed their requirements will be highlighted in bold.

If your system is configured as such, you will see a credit status for the participant overall, as well as for the listed course. If this is the case, you should look at a participant's credit for the *course* to determine if they have completed their requirements. If you do not see such a column ("Credits Earned for Course"), then you only need to be concerned with the overall credit completion status for the participant. If the report is too wide to be printed easily, you can use the Printer-Friendly format. A link to that will appear at the bottom of the report.

If you would prefer to deal with the information in CSV (comma-separated) format (for easy import into a spreadsheet program like Excel), use the CSV link at the bottom of the report to generate such a data file.

To generate a new report, choose the Main Menu link from the left toolbar and proceed from there.

Granting Credits

In some cases, you might see a Grant Credit choice next to each name when you generate a course report. If you click on this link, you can grant a non-study credit grant to that student. This is useful if you are in charge of granting a student credit for participation in a research alternative (e.g. writing a paper), in lieu of actual research participation. To grant the credit, simply enter the credit value and a comment about the credit grant, and the credit will be granted immediately.

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Figure 39 - Non-Study Credit Grant

Viewing Studies

In some cases, you may have the ability to view what studies are available in the system (to students). This is useful if you want to discuss information or concepts from those studies in class, as a part of the educational experience. If such an option is available, you will see an All Studies link after you login. If you click this, you will see a list of studies, and you may then click on any study to view more about it. For privacy reasons, you may not see who has signed up for any of the studies.

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Figure 40 - Viewing Studies

Changing Your Password

To change your password or other information, choose the My Profile choice from the toolbar. Fields marked with (+) are optional and do not need to be filled out.

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Figure 41 - Updating Your Profile

Logging Out

When you are done using the system, choose Logout from the top toolbar to log out. You are now logged out. It is always a good security measure to close all your browser windows as well, especially if you are using a computer that is shared by others.