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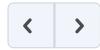












## 3-2 Discussion: Psychological Studies in the Media

In this module, you will explore the concept of psychological studies in the media. In previous modules, you have explored scholarly and non-scholarly articles and empirical and non-empirical sources. Here you will continue to develop the skill of being a thoughtful data consumer.

Before answering the questions below, review the following resources:

- Reading: Serotonin Modulates Behavioral Reactions to Unfairness (peer-reviewed journal article)
- Video: Beware Neuro-Bunk (11:03)
- Reading: The Cheesy Secret Behind Successful Decision Making (popular media article)

For your initial post, answer the following questions:

- How did the authors of the peer-reviewed journal article summarize their own work versus the journalist's summary in the popular media article?
- Imagine you are summarizing a peer-reviewed journal article for a general audience. To avoid the oversights in the popular media article, what one major point would you ensure was communicated accurately to a general audience?
- Why is it important to refer to empirical studies when you see claims in popular media?
- How does the concept of psychological studies in the media apply to any of the following programmatic course themes?
  - Social justice
  - Career connections
  - Ethics

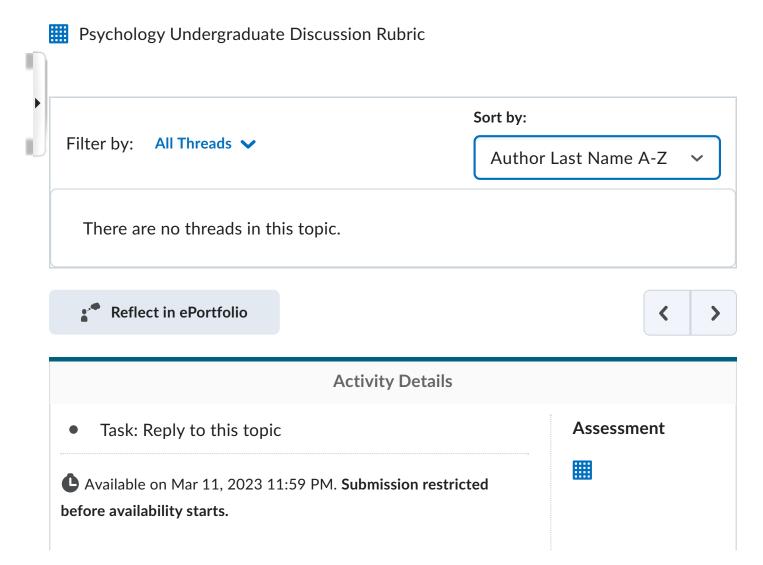
Remember to respond to two peers while being respectful of and sensitive to their viewpoints. Consider advancing the discussion in the following ways:

- Post an article, video, or additional research to reinforce a peer's idea or challenge them to see their point from a different perspective.
- Engage in conversation with your peers around the concept of psychological studies in the media.

To complete this assignment, review the Psychology Undergraduate Discussion Rubric. You will also need:

- Programmatic Themes
- Norms of Practice for Online Discussion
- Ethical Usage Practices

## **Rubrics**



Psychology Undergraduate Discussion Rubric

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