

### **Researcher Lab Usage Policy – BRAD Lab at Darden**

At the start of the calendar year, UVA researchers are allotted study credits for use of the BRAD Lab. A study credit is defined as using the BRAD Lab for a single study during a semester, whether online or in-person. UVA researchers who are not a part of the Darden School of Business receive three study credits for use per calendar year:

- One in-lab study credit: for use of the BRAD Lab SONA Pool and space for an in-lab study
- Two online study credits: for use of the BRAD Lab SONA Pool to recruit participants to an online study or an in-lab study in the researcher's own lab space

Please note that PhD and postdoctoral researchers must be collaborating with faculty members to conduct a study with the BRAD Lab. Prior to launching the study, researchers must submit their [study proposal](#) to the lab for approval. BRAD Lab maintains the sole right to approve or deny use of lab resources, personnel, and facilities.

#### **Multiple Researcher Studies**

- If multiple researchers collaborate on a study, the study counts as a credit used by the PI listed on the IRB approved proposal.

#### **Combined Studies**

- Occasionally BRAD Lab offers a combined study day which provides an opportunity for researchers to share costs and combine multiple short in-lab studies conducted at the BRAD Lab facility. Study credits are not applied for this setting.

The BRAD Lab maintains a record of researcher lab usage for online and in-lab studies. Additionally, researchers should track their own usage of the BRAD Lab for the purposes of planning project timelines and execution. Study credits renew on January 1 of each calendar year. If a researcher has used all of their study credits for the year and would like to plan a study to begin at the start of the new calendar year, the BRAD Lab can assist with study preparations.