



Volunteer Science Burst Network

Purpose

The internet enables us to perform large scale group experiments with people all over the world. However, it is impossible to recruit groups of subjects to participate in studies simultaneously. To solve this problem, we are creating a global network of faculty willing to run experiments in their classes. One faculty running one class can make these new experiments possible. A global network of faculty with many classes can fundamentally revolutionize social science.

Program Overview

Faculty register as members of the Volunteer Science Burst Network and schedule their classes up to participate in one of our eligible studies. The studies will be automated, meaning subject consent, randomization, instruction, and data collection will be part of the study itself and managed by Volunteer Science. Faculty need only point their students to the study at the right time. Faculty will also be provided with instructional material to lead a class discussion based on the study at the faculty member's discretion.

Active members of the Burst Network will have the opportunity to connect with other faculty in the network. Using software provided by the Open Science Foundation, active members can propose studies for the burst network, recruit collaborators from the Network or find new projects, and create your own large-scale group experiments to be conducted through the Burst Network. Members must run one experiment in class per semester to maintain an active member status.

Benefits to Faculty

- Expose your students to cutting edge social science
- Transform social science research
- Join the Burst Network's global community of researchers
- Perform your own large scale social research

How to Join:

1. Sign up at Volunteer Science (url to user sign up)
2. Schedule your first class (url)
3. Login to the Burst Network (coming soon)

Questions or comments? Feel free to reach out to me at jason_radford@volunteerscience.com