Student Leadership Practices Inventory Permissions FAQs

Q: Who is eligible to request permission to use the Student LPI in their research?

We welcome interested graduate students, academicians, and scholars at accredited institutions of higher learning to request permission to use The Student Leadership Challenge® or the Student Leadership Practices Inventory® in empirical research studies.

Many scholars have conducted research which uses The Student Leadership Challenge framework, and we are happy to support such work to help further the field of leadership development and education. If you are conducting academic research for the purposes of a dissertation or to contribute to the wider body of knowledge about leadership, you may fill out our Student LPI Research Form for permission to use the materials in your study. If permission is granted, you may qualify for use of the materials at a reduced rate. If you are conducting research for the purpose of studying, assessing, or evaluating internal organizational policies, practices, programs, or courses, you may use *The Student Leadership Challenge* and *The Student Leadership Practices Inventory* without special permission, but this does not qualify for using The Student Leadership Challenge materials beyond standard bulk discounts. For more information on standard bulk discounts, please contact sales@studentleadershipchallenge.com.

Q: Classic LPI vs. Student LPI: Which one is best for you?

The Classic LPI is most appropriate for those in the professional or higher educational field who wish to conduct research amongst or about other professionals. LPI Classic has a more varied scale, and anticipates the participants have spent enough time in their respective professional fields with which to draw context for self-reflection and/or feedback via the Self or 360 questionnaires.

The Student LPI is designed for students with little to no formal business experience, and varying levels of experience with leadership itself. The Student LPI tool is appropriate in high school and college classrooms, student government, campus clubs, fraternities, sororities, first-year experience programs, community service and service learning organizations, athletic teams, and youth organizations.

Q: How do I obtain permission to use the Student LPI in my research?

A: Before you can begin, you MUST complete the online permissions request form.

- If you are a faculty member at an accredited institution of higher learning who is interested in using the **Student LPI** in research projects you are conducting or a student at that institution conducting research, please complete the form [here](#).

- If you are a faculty member at an accredited institution of higher learning who is interested in using the **Classic LPI** in research projects you are conducting or a student at that institution conducting research, please complete the form [here](#).

Q: What happens after I complete the online application?

A: Our office will review your application. If approved, you will be sent a letter granting you permission to utilize the Student LPI in either electronic or paper format. Once you've received your letter, you will need to reach out to you to Joshua Carter (jocarter@wiley.com). Joshua will be able to answer any final questions you may have regarding use of the Student LPI and will connect you with our sales team to help you finalize payment and access to your desired Student LPI product. This process usually takes about 4 to 6 weeks from the time that you complete your online application to the time that you will have been set up with access to your desired product.

Q: What products are available for use in my research and what is the corresponding cost?

A:
- **Student LPI 360 Online $5/token**. An observer-based tool for student leaders at all levels in a youth, high school, or undergraduate college organization that incorporates the Student LPI Self instrument and the Student LPI Observer Instrument.

- **Student LPI Self Online $3/token**. A 30-item assessment that provides a way for individual leaders to measure the frequency of their own leadership behaviors on a 5-point frequency scale.

- **Student LPI Self (print) $6.00**

- **Student LPI Observer (print) $4.00**

Note: Prices for the print version represent a one-time payment. You may make as many print copies as you need for your survey, and you will need to hand-score the results of your survey.

For a description and availability of Student LPI products, please click [here](#).

For a further description of the products listed above, please click [here](#).

Q: Can I utilize the Student LPI survey questions in an outside software program such as Survey Monkey or Zoomerang?

A: The short answer: Yes.

However, we strongly encourage researches to use the proprietary LPI Online platform. We have steeply discounted this platform to help researchers get the highest-quality results at affordable prices. Using the proprietary platform also ensures that all tenets of the permissions guidelines are followed during the research process.

On a case-by-case basis, we may permit you to add essay-style questions to the end of the survey, if we agree with you that they are needed for your research.

If you decide to move forward with outside software, please be aware that this decision can add an *additional 1-2 weeks* to the approval process. There is a one-time fee of $1,000 USD to cover the permissions cost of outside Student LPI usage.

Once the payment is received, our legal office will generate a second permissions letter that allows for outside use in your requested software program. Please note that you still must complete the online application form for our records.

Q: Can I edit or alter the Student LPI questions within my survey?

A: No! The language of the Student LPI is based on decades of research, and is specifically worded with that research in mind.