Course Schedule CRIJ 3300 on-line Spring 2023

Overview
Module 1: Start on Wednesday, Jan 18, 2023. Complete by Sunday, Jan 22, 2023 (11:59 PM)


Exam I: This exam will cover modules 1-3 and the required readings for these modules. Complete by midnight Sunday, Feb 19, 2023.


Spring Break Week *******Monday, Mar 13 – Sunday, Mar 19, 2023********


Exam II: This exam will cover modules 4 & 5 and the required readings for these modules. Complete by midnight Sunday, April 2, 2023.


Module 7: Start by: Start by Monday April 17, 2023. Complete by Sunday, April 30, 2023 (11:59 PM)


Research Paper Design Proposal due: Required completion by Friday, May 5, 2023 (11:59 PM, Mountain Standard Time). Note that this research design proposal also may be turned in earlier.

All the course material completed: Friday, May 5, 2023 (11:59 PM, Mountain Standard Time)

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Detailed Descriptions

Module 1: Start on Wednesday, Jan 18, 2023. Complete by Sunday, Jan 22, 2023 (11:59 PM)
READ Chapter 1 Criminal Justice and Scientific Inquiry (read all pages). In this module you will learn the basic principles and overview of scientific inquiry in criminal justice. Additionally, you will learn how to identify scholarly research and how to read scholarly research effectively and efficiently. Lastly, you will learn to discern quality research on the internet.

READ Chapter 8 Qualitative Interviewing (read all pages) and Chapter 9 Field Observation (read all pages). In this module you will understand what field research methods are, interviewing, and understand how field research are scientifically used. You will also be able to evaluate field research conducted by others and determine the best way to conduct a field research study.
READ Chapter 3 General Issues in Research Design (read all pages). In this module you will understand the role of social theory in criminal justice research. You will also understand causation in research methods. Lastly you will understand hypothesis in criminal justice methods.

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READ Chapter 4 Conceptions, Operationalization, Measurement (read all pages). At the completion of this module, you will understand how to operationalize, conceptualize, and measure in research methods. Moreover, you will understand the different levels of measurement in research methods, and the nature of validity and reliability in research methods. You will also understand the nature of the crime victimization survey and the FBI’s uniformed crime report. Finally, you will be able to construct an operational definition for a real-world criminal justice issue.

**Spring Break Week** Monday, Mar 13, 2023 – Friday, Mar 17, 2023
Depending on situation and personality, you can take the week off, catch up if necessary, or work ahead.

READ Chapter 6 Sampling (read all pages) and Chapter 7 Survey Research (read all pages). By the end of this module, you will understand the basics of survey design and survey questionnaire design. You will also be able to apply to the basics of survey questionnaire design to a real-world criminal justice issue.

**Exam II:** This exam will cover modules 4 & 5 and the required readings for these modules. Complete by midnight Sunday, April 2, 2023.

READ Chapter 5 Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Designs (read all pages) & Chapter 2 Ethics (read all pages). By the end of this module, you will understand ethical concerns in criminal justice research methods. Additionally, you will understand the basics of experimental design. By exploring two real-world applications of experimental design, you will be applied the basics of experimental design to a real-world issue in criminal justice.

Module 7: Start by: Start by Monday April 17, 2023. Complete by Sunday, April 30, 2023 (11:59 PM)
READ Chapter 10 Agency Records, Content Analysis, and Secondary Data (read all pages). By the end of this module, you will understand the principles in the use of secondary and agency data in research methodology. Moreover, you will become acquainted with the major sources of secondary data available to criminal justice researchers. Additionally, you will understand how content analysis of social artifacts is conducted, and how to code data for textual analysis. Lastly you will be able to apply the basics of data coding to a real-world issue in criminal justice. Complete by Sunday, April 30, 2023 (11:59 PM)

**Exam III:** Required completion by Sunday, April 30, 2023 (11:59 PM, Mountain Standard Time). To demonstrate what you have learned and will be able to recall across time, this exam is comprehensive and covers modules 6 & 7 and will have some exact questions from Exam I and Exam II.

**Research Paper Design Proposal** due: Required completion by Friday, May 5, 2023 (11:59 PM, Mountain Standard Time). Note that this research design proposal also may be turned in earlier.

**Friday, May 5, 2023 (11:59 PM, Mountain Standard Time)** All the course material, posting on the officer’s forum, quizzes, and exams must completed. Any course material not completed by that time will receive as score of zero. **No excuses will be accepted.**