## **Critical Path Research Concepts**

**MSTH 252** 

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The Critical Path is the course schedule. It is an important document that lays out module objectives that you are responsible for to ensure academic success. Download and/or print out a copy of the Critical Path and refer to it regularly.

## Module Breakdown

Module	Topics, Readings, and Activities	Due Dates	Weight
1	<ul> <li>Module 1: Introduction to Research Concepts</li> <li>Topics: <ul> <li>1.1 Evidence-Based Practice and Research Literacy</li> <li>1.2 Literature Search Strategies, Research Question and Hypothesis</li> </ul> </li> <li>Activities:</li> </ul>	Module Activity #1: January 8, 2024 Module Activity #2: January 15, 2024	15%
	<ul> <li>In-Class Activity #1: Ways of Knowing (5%)</li> <li>In-Class Activity #2: Research Question (5%)</li> <li>Introduction &amp; Literature Search (5%)</li> </ul>	Introduction & Literature Search: February 5, 2024	
2	<ul> <li>Module 2: Foundations of Research Practice</li> <li>Topics: <ul> <li>2.1 Sampling, External and Internal Validity</li> <li>2.2 Measurement &amp; Data (Collection &amp; Analysis)</li> <li>2.3 Research Ethics</li> </ul> </li> <li>Activities: <ul> <li>Module Activity #3: Sampling Activity (5%)</li> <li>Module Activity #4: Data Activity (5%)</li> <li>Module Activity #5: Ethics Module (5%)</li> <li>Online Term Test (10%)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Module Activity #3: January 22, 2024  Module Activity #4: January 29, 2024  Module Activity #5: February 5, 2024  Online Term Test: February 19, 2024	25%

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3	<ul> <li>Module 3: Quantitative Research</li> <li>Topics: <ul> <li>3.1 Introduction to Study Design and Methods</li> <li>3.2 Analysis and Interpretation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Activities: <ul> <li>Article Appraisal #1 (10%)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Article Appraisal #1: <b>March 11, 2024</b>	10%
4	<ul> <li>Module 4: Qualitative Research</li> <li>4.1 Introduction to Study Design and Methods</li> <li>4.2 Analysis and Interpretation</li> <li>Activities:</li> <li>Article Appraisal #2 (10%)</li> </ul>	Article Appraisal #2: March 18, 2024	10%
5	Module 5: Transferring Research into Practice Topics: <ul> <li>5.1 Shared Decision Making</li> <li>5.2 Knowledge Translation</li> <li>5.3 Over-Representing vs. Under-Representing</li> </ul> <li>Activities:         <ul> <li>Final Paper (15%)</li> <li>Final Test (10%)</li> </ul> </li>	In-class research activity: March 29, 2024  Final Paper: April 1, 2023  Comprehensive Exam: Week 14	40%

## **Summary of Graded Course Components**

Summary	Weight
Total for all Tests and Quizzes  • Midterm Test • Final Test	20%
<ul> <li>Total for all Assignments</li> <li>Introduction &amp; Literature Search</li> <li>Article Appraisal 1</li> <li>Article Appraisal 2</li> <li>In-class research activity</li> <li>Final Paper</li> </ul>	55%
<ul> <li>Total for all Module Activities</li> <li>Module Activity 1</li> <li>Module Activity 2</li> <li>Module Activity 3</li> <li>Module Activity 4</li> <li>Module Activity 5</li> </ul>	25%
Total	100%