



SPRING 2025

CJ 540

planning and evaluation
METHODS
in criminal justice

Professor: Burrel Vann Jr

Room: Online

Time: Asynchronous

Schedule #: 11963

	MODULE 1	READ/WATCH	DUE
1		Syllabus Module 1 Materials	Email Policy Check (1/25) Google Doc Submission Check (1/25) Zotero Check (1/25) Updated Profile Check (1/25) Video Introductions (1/25)
JAN 20			
	INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE		
2	MODULE 2	READ/WATCH Ch. 1 (Babbie) Specific Considerations Developing Research Questions Components of a Research Project	DUE
JAN 27			
	BASICS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH		
3	MODULE 2	READ/WATCH Ch. 2 (Babbie) Theories & Approaches Literature Review Videos Boolean Searching for Literature	DUE
FEB 3			
	THEORY		
4	MODULE 2	READ/WATCH Ch. 3 (Babbie) Studying Humans Institutional Review Boards Informed Consent CITI Certification Training	DUE CITI Certification Check (2/15)
FEB 10			
	ETHICS IN SOCIAL RESEARCH		
5	MODULE 3	READ/WATCH Chs. 4 & 5 (Babbie) Qualitative or Quantitative? RCTs Lacking Design: Failure of D.A.R.E.	DUE Literature Review (2/22)
FEB 17			
	RESEARCH DESIGN: MEASUREMENT, VARIABLES, CAUSALITY		
6	MODULE 3	READ/WATCH Ch. 7 (Babbie)	DUE
FEB 24			
	SAMPLING		
7	MODULE 4	READ/WATCH Ch. 10 (Babbie) Interviews Field Research Copes et al. 2008 Contreras 2009	DUE 5-Minute RQ Presentation (3/8)
MAR 3			
	METHODS OF DATA COLLECTION 1: QUALITATIVE		
8	MODULE 4	READ/WATCH Chs. 8, 9, & 11 (Babbie) Surveys Constructing Survey Questions Abrams et al. 2011 Dunbar et al. 2019	DUE
MAR 10			
	METHODS OF DATA COLLECTION 2: QUANTITATIVE		

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MODULE 5

READ/WATCH

Ch. 13 (Babbie)
Analysis of Field Data
Analysis of Interview Data
Qualitative Coding

DUE

MAR 17

ANALYSIS OF DATA 1: QUALITATIVE

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MODULE 5

READ/WATCH

Ch. 14 (Babbie)
RStudio Walkthroughs for Quant

DUE

Interview Guide/Survey (3/29)

MAR 24

ANALYSIS OF DATA 2: QUANTITATIVE

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MODULE 6

READ/WATCH

DUE

MAR 31

SPRING BREAK (NO CLASS)

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MODULE 6

READ/WATCH

DUE

APR 7

READING & ORGANIZING RESEARCH

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MODULE 6

READ/WATCH

DUE

Using a Reference Manager
APA & ASA Citation Style Guides

APR 14

WRITING-UP RESEARCH

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READ/WATCH

DUE

APR 21

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS ON DATA ANALYSIS

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MODULE 6

READ/WATCH

DUE

APR 28

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS ON DATA ANALYSIS

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READ/WATCH

DUE

Final Presentation (5/15)

MAY 5-15

FINAL PROJECT
