

CCJS300 Course Schedule

SUBJECT

Criminological and Criminal
Justice Research Methods

TEACHER

Dr. Wendy Stickle

OFFICE HOURS

By appointment/slack

DATE

Fall2023

COURSE POLICIES

<https://sites.google.com/umd.edu/ccjs300research-methods/home>

OVERVIEW

Below is a quick overview of the semester.

MEETING TIMES: This will be an in-person class with virtual components. This course is flipped. What does that mean? It means you will listen to lectures at home, and we will do active activities in the classroom. We will meet on Wednesdays 9:30am-12:00pm (but you will often get out early). The course will meet in **RM III-???**.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION: All Course Policies and Grading Details are in the [syllabus](#) and on [ELMS](#). You can find all assignments and lecture notes on [ELMS](#). All readings and assignments should be completed PRIOR to coming to class.

COMMUNICATION: Ask Dr. Stickle and your peers questions on [SLACK](#). **All office hours will take place on Slack. Office hours will be held on Slack and/or by appointment.**

WEEKLY EXPECTATIONS: Visit the weekly Module to get a detailed description of the expectations for the week. Below offers a brief overview. You will generally have reading and some sort of assignment to apply what you have learned. You will see, below, when any Major Graded Assignments will occur and/or be due.

Week	Topic	Preparation	Quiz and Project Work	In class
Before First day of class 9/1	Course Introduction: The Intersection of Criminological Research and Policy	ELMS: Introductions Module (try to complete before the first day! *Don't forget to complete the syllabus quiz after class!		

Week	Topic	Preparation	Quiz and Project Work	In class
Week 1 8/30	Course Introduction			In person class, 9:30-11:00am
Week 2 9/6	Topic 1: Introduction to Criminological and Criminal Justice Research Methods	Textbook: Chapter 1 ELMS: Topic 1 Module		In person class, 9:30-11:00am
Week 3 9/13	Topic 2: The Criminological Research Process	Textbook: Chapter 2 ELMS: Topic 2 Module		In person class, 9:30-11:00am
Week 4 09/20	Topic 3: Research Ethics	Textbook: Chapter 3 ELMS: Topic 3 Module		In person class, 9:30-11:00am
Week 5 09/27	Introduction to General Social Survey	ELMS: Introduction to GSS **complete GSS assignment-see due date in ELMS	Quiz 1 (Ch 1-3) 9/27 (on ELMS) Open 12am-11:59pm Ethics Research Project 10/1	No Class -you are working on your quiz, Ethics project, and getting to know the GSS.
Week 6 10/4	Topic 4: Conceptualization and Measurement, Data Applications	Textbook: Chapter 4 ELMS: Topic 4 Module	Data Analysis Project: Brief Statement of Possible Research Project	In person class, 9:30-12:00pm

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Week 7 10/11	Topic 5: Sampling	Textbook: Chapter 5 ELMS: Topic 5 Module		In person class, 9:30-12:00pm
Week 8 10/18	Topic 6: Causation and Experiments, Data Applications	Textbook: Chapter 6 ELMS: Topic 6 Module		In person class, 9:30-12:00pm
Week 9 10/25	Topic 7: Hypothesis testing using Excel	ELMS: Topic 7 Module	Quiz 2 (Chapters 4-6) 10/25	No Class -you are working on your quiz and Excel
Week 10 11/1	Topic 8: Survey Research	Textbook: Chapter 7 ELMS: Topic 8 Module		In person class, 9:30-12:00pm
Week 11 11/8	Topic 9: Analyzing Content using Alternative Methods	Textbook: Chapters 8 & 9 ELMS: Topic 9 Module	Bring paper copy of survey to class 11/8 Survey Research Project 11/14	In person class, 9:30-12:00pm
Week 12 11/15	Topic 10: Evaluation and Policy Analysis Data Visualization	Textbook: Chapter 10 ELMS: Topic 10 Module		In person class, 9:30-12:00pm

Week	Topic	Preparation	Quiz and Project Work	In class
Week 13 11/22	Thanksgiving		Quiz 3 (Chapters 7-10) Open 11/23-11/24 Data Analysis Project Proposal Due (11/21)	No class
Week 14 11/29	**Skipping Bachman ch 11 Topic 12: Reporting Research Results Work on Final Project!	Textbook: Chapter 12		In person class, 9:30-12:00pm
Last Day of Class 12/6	Data Analysis Project Presentations			In person class, 9:30-12:00pm
Final Exam Week			Data Analysis Report due (TBD)	