

CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY OF HONOLULU  
Course Syllabus

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Course Number: CJ21560

: Saturdays

Course Title: Criminal Justice Research

Hours: 8:00 am to 12:10 pm

Term: Summer 2000

: Pearl Harbor

Instructor: Macrina K. Abenoja, Ph.D.

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Consultation Hours: Before and after classes, or by appointment

Course Objectives:

- (1) To expose **students** to basic statistical concepts and procedures.
- (2) To enable **students** interpret **criminal justice data**.
- (3) To enable **students** create and undertake simple social **research designs**.

Course Design:

Lectures, quizzes, take-home assignments and research project.

Required Text:

Kranzler, Gerald and Janet Moursund.

*Statistics for the Terrified*, 1999 (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.), New Jersey, Prentice-Hall.

Course Requirements:

Reading of text assignments

Timely completion and submission of assignments

Final examination

Research project

Class attendance and class participation

Scientific calculator

Class Attendance:

Attendance is necessary to pass this course. Any absence from any session requires legitimate documentation that is acceptable to the Dean. Failure to observe this requirement will adversely impact the student's grade. If the student has an advanced notice of a necessary absence, s/he should advise the professor as soon as possible and submit the necessary documentation. In the event of an unforeseen emergency, the student should call the professor and leave a message. Missing class is not an excuse for not completing reading assignments or other assignments on time, or not being prepared for the next class. Students are allowed to miss only one session without any adverse effect on their course grade. Absences over one (1) will reduce the final grade.

Grading Policy:

Quizzes (5) 10 pts. @

a 50 pts.

A:  $\geq 174$  pts.

Home assignments (6) 10 pts. @

= 60 pts.

B: 157-173 pts.

Final exam

= 40 pts

C: 137-156 pts

Research Project

= 25 pts.

D: 110-136 pts

Class attendance & participation

= 25 pts.

F:  $\leq 110$  pts.

TOTAL

= 200 pts.

## Course Calendar

### July

- 8      **Contracting & Housekeeping**  
**Intro to Social Science Research and Social Statistics (Handouts)**  
To be **handed** out: Take-home **exercise** #1 problem  
Research topic assignment: A paragraph re: research topic
- 15      **Kranzler & Moursund, Chapter 1: Measures of Central Tendency & Variability**  
**Presentation of Data**  
Quiz # 1; Due: Take-home exercise# 1 & Research **topic assignment**  
To be handed out: **Take-home** exercise #2 problem
- 22      **Kranzler & Moursund, Chapter 2: The Normal Curve**  
**Quiz** #2; Due: **Take-home** exercise #2  
To be handed out: Take-home exercise #3 problem
- 29      **Kranzler & Moursund, Chapter 3: Percentiles & Standard Scores**  
Quiz #3; Due: **Take-home** exercise #3  
To be **handed** out: Take-home exercise #4 **problem**

### August

- 5      **Kranzler & Moursund, Chapter 6: Hypothesis Testing**  
Quiz **#4**; Due: **Take-home** exercise #4  
To be handed out: Take-home exercise #5 problem
- 12      **Kranzler & Moursund, Chapter 7: The *t*-test**  
**Quiz** #5; Due: **Take-home** exercise #5  
To be **handed** out: **Take-home** exercise #6 problem
- 19      **Kranzler & Moursund, Chapter 9: Chi-square**  
Due: Take-home exercise #6
- 26      **Review and Consultations**

### September

- 2      **Research Paper Presentation**
- 9      **FINAL EXAM**

The **professor reserves** the right to **make** changes **in** the **syllabus** for **good** cause.