

# NTR 593: Applied Project Part 1

### **Course Information**

**Course Description:** This is a 7-week online course in which students write and conduct the first part of their applied project which includes the introduction, review of literature and methods sections.

Credits: 3

Enrollment Requirements: NTR 500, NTR 502

### **Instructor Information**

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Office Hours: By appointment via Zoom.

Preferred method of contact: Email

## **Course Basics**

At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Define research question using population, intervention, comparison and outcome (PICO)
- 2. Design the methods to answer the research question
- 3. Formulate and articulate an evidence-based solution to the research question

## **Textbook**

No required textbook.

## **Assignment Types**

Chapter 1, Introduction

Chapter 2, Literature Review Table

Chapter 3, Methods

## **Grading Policy**

#### Grade breakdown:

Letter grade	Percent
A+	98-100%
Α	90-97%
В	80-89%
С	70-79%
D	60-69%
E	<60%
EN – Failing for Not Participating	
EU – Failing for Incomplete Participation	
XE – Academic Dishonesty	

**Make-up work/late submission general policy:** Notify the instructor **BEFORE** an assignment is due if an urgent situation arises and you are unable to submit the assignment on time.

**Note:** While every effort is made to keep the course evaluation process consistent with what is in the initial syllabus, it is possible that slight changes must made as the semester progresses. These changes will be communicated thoroughly to the students and although total points may potentially fluctuate, the percentages remain constant, meaning there is no intention of harm to students' grades. Any changes to the course evaluation process will be posted on Canvas as part of an announcement; however, it is the student's responsibility to be aware of the points and their grade and be proactive in speaking to the instructor if there are questions or concerns. Students should not rely on Canvas or other students if they have a question on their grade in class; please contact the instructor.

### **ASU Online Course Policies**

View the ASU Online Course Policies

### **Accommodations for Absences due to Illness**

Students who cannot complete assignments due to illness, COVID-diagnosis, self-isolation, or quarantine may request accommodations for missed class sessions without penalty **with proper documentation from a health professional** (doctor, ASU Health Services, urgent care, etc.). The documentation should

state the time period during which you cannot attend class. It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor and provide the proper documentation in a timely manner for accommodations. Excused absences do not relieve students from responsibility for any part of the course work required during the period of absence. Accommodations will be provided for students who have excused absences If you are feeling sick, you should stay home and contact ASU Health Services, who will advise you about scheduling a telehealth or in-person appointment. Health Services can be reached at 480-965-3349, and more information is available at <a href="https://eoss.asu.edu/health">https://eoss.asu.edu/health</a>.

### **COVID-19 Documentation and Reporting**

If you test positive for COVID-19, inform the ASU Dean of Students at <a href="mailto:deanofstudents@asu.edu">deanofstudents@asu.edu</a> immediately. Staff in the Dean of Students office will serve as your point of contact for the duration of the isolation period and will help coordinate campus services. If you disclose a positive test for COVID-19 to your instructor, they are obligated to report your status to the Dean of Students for support.

## Required Technology, Technical Support and Internet Outage Plan

#### **Required Technology**

- 1. Desktop or laptop computer, current within the last 5 years
  - Note: Canvas does have an app that can be used with mobile devices, but the app is limited. Please access Canvas primarily through a desktop or laptop computer.
  - Do not use a Chromebook or Netbook, since it cannot run Respondus, which is used for tests.
- 2. Stable, high-speed internet access
- 3. Web browser updated to the most recent version. Chrome is the preferred browser for Canvas.
- 4. Audio speakers and/or headphones attached or built-in to the computer
- 5. Webcam (external or internal with microphone)
- 6. Word processing software. (Students have access to Google Docs with their ASURite. In addition, Microsoft 365 is free to ASU Students)
- 7. Smartphone or other mobile device that can download apps.

Please inform the instructor if any of the above present a hardship for you. ASU may have some resources to help students in need.

#### **Technical Support**

You have access to <u>24/7 technical support</u>. It is recommended to use Chrome when accessing Canvas.

#### **Internet Outage Plan**

Network and internet outages are never expected. Be prepared and have a plan in case you find yourself without internet.

## Campus Network Outage and Technical Support

When access to Canvas is not available for an extended period of time (greater than one entire evening) you can reasonably expect that the due date for assignments will be changed to the next day (assignment still due by 11:59pm).

To monitor the status of campus networks and services, please visit the System Health Portal (http://syshealth.asu.edu/).

**Technical Support:** This course uses Canvas to deliver content. You can access Canvas through your MyASU portal.

To contact the help desk you have two options:

- o For immediate assistance, call ASU at 1-855-278-5080.
- Visit the ASU Experience Center (<a href="https://uto.asu.edu/experiencecenter">https://uto.asu.edu/experiencecenter</a>) to get personalized support through 24/7 live chat or by submitting your request online (<a href="https://my.asu.edu/service">https://my.asu.edu/service</a>).

For more information on Canvas the following resources are suggested:

- Canvas Course Tour Video
- Canvas Student guide
- Digital Portfolios Help Resources
- <u>Library Resources for Students</u>
- Best Practices for Setting Course Notifications
- Canvas Student App Download through Google Play (Android) or the App Store (iOS)
  - o Android Guide
  - o iOS Guide

#### Other useful links

- o Graduate Student Page
- o ASU Email Guide
- o ASU Wireless Network

## Add/Drop/Withdraw

<u>Click here to access the University Registrar page</u> where you can access grades, the academic calendar, and add/drop/withdrawal options among other things. NOTE: if you are considering withdrawing, please check with financial aid since it may be impacted by a withdrawal.

## Student Success Tips

#### **Time Management**

Your success in this class depends greatly on the time you spend on independent study and completion of assignments. In general, expect to spend a minimum of 3 hours for each credit hour per week studying outside of class. So for a 3-credit class, set aside 9 hours per week for just that one class. Add on extra time around mid-terms and finals. How much time does that leave you for work, relaxation, and other commitments? Here are some resources to help you get organized and create a study plan.

Click here to calculate your available study time

Click here to discover how many hours you should be studying

#### **Study Techniques**

It's important that you attend all classes and complete all assignments to be successful in your College career. To support this, you should take a look your study habits. Consider *where*, *when*, and *how* you study. For example, trying to read a complex paper in a loud coffee shop may be too distracting for you to

really understand the material. Waiting until the last minute to write a paper rarely yields good results. Take a look at the guide provided below for more suggestions to optimize your study time.

Click here to access a study guide

#### **Active Reading**

You will have to read a lot throughout your degree! It's common practice to highlight content as you read it to help remember it. Studies show, however, that this is not as effective as previously thought. A much better way to help you process and retain the information is to write down the important points and quiz yourself as you read. This is known as "active reading." Download the handout provided below to get started on this simple technique that can help you from day one at ASU.

Click here to access the active reading technique guide

#### **Available Academic Resources**

ASU has a wealth of resources to enable your success. <u>Click here to check out the University Academic Success Programs</u> website that includes information on the writing center, tutoring, supplemental instruction, graduate academic support and more.

## **Academic Integrity**

Students must refrain from uploading to any course shell, discussion board, or website used by the course instructor or other course forum, material that is not the student's original work, unless the students first comply with all applicable copyright laws; faculty members reserve the right to delete materials on the grounds of suspected copyright infringement.

A Student Resource from ASU on Academic Integrity

### Mental Health

Students may experience a range of challenges that can interfere with learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, substance use, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These emotional health concerns or stressful events may diminish academic performance and/or reduce the ability to participate in daily activities. <u>ASU Counseling Services</u> provides counseling and crisis services for students who are experiencing a mental health concern. Any student may call or walk-in to any ASU counseling center for a same day or future appointment to discuss any personal concern. ASU's dedicated crisis line is available 24/7 for crisis consultation by calling 480-921-1006.

## Third-Party Software and FERPA

During this course you might have the opportunity to use public online services and/or software applications sometimes called third-party software such as a blog or wiki. While some of these are required assignments, you need not make any personally identifying information on a public site. Do not post or provide any private information about yourself or your classmates. Where appropriate you may use a pseudonym or nickname. Some written assignments posted publicly may require personal reflection/comments, but the assignments will not require you to disclose any personally identifiable/sensitive information. If you have any concerns about this, please contact your instructor.

#### **ASU Policies**

ASU Academic Policies - January 6, 2020

## **University Excused Absences**

Accommodation for Religious practices in accordance with ACD 304-04

The university community should, in all its activities, be sensitive to the religious practices of the various religious faiths represented in its student body and employees. Faculty are asked to recognize the obligations of their students who may be participating in the observance of religious holidays. Students should notify faculty at the beginning of the semester about the need to be absent from class due to religious observances.

Missed class due to University-sanctioned activities in accordance with ACD 304-02

Students who participate in university-sanctioned activities that require classes to be missed, shall be given opportunities to make up examinations and other graded in-class work. However, absence from class or examinations due to university-sanctioned activities does not relieve students from responsibility for any part of the course work required during the period of the absence.

### **Disability Accommodations**

Reasonable accommodations are determined on a case-by-case, course-by-course basis to mitigate barriers experienced due to a disability (<u>SSM 701-02</u>). Students with disabilities who require accommodations must register with the <u>Student Accessibility and Inclusive Learning Services</u> and submit appropriate documentation. It is recommended students complete this process at the beginning of the term and communicate as appropriate with their instructor.

Email: Student.Accessibility@asu.edu

Phone: (480) 965-1234FAX: (480) 965-0441

## **Academic Integrity and Student Code of Conduct**

ASU expects and requires its students to act with honesty, integrity, and respect. Required behavior standards are listed in the <u>Student Code of Conduct and Student Disciplinary Procedures</u>, the <u>Computer</u>, <u>Internet</u>, and <u>Electronic Communications Policy</u>, the <u>ASU Student Academic Integrity Policy</u>, and outlined by the <u>Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities</u>. Anyone in violation of these policies is subject to sanctions.

#### **Academic Integrity**

Academic honesty is taken very seriously. While interaction among students is encouraged, students are expected to adhere to the <u>ASU Student Academic Integrity Policy</u>. Plagiarism of any kind will not be tolerated. Students must properly cite sources used for assignments. Students must take exams independently without assistance from others. Students may not submit papers written by persons other than themselves. Students must submit original work for this course and may not submit papers previously submitted to another class. Consequences of non-compliance can be significant, including:

failing the assignment or course, receiving a permanent "XE" grade for the course, removal from a major or program of study, expulsion from the university, among others.

The <u>ASU Student Academic Integrity Policy</u> lists violations in detail. These violations fall into five broad areas that include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Cheating on an academic evaluation or assignment.
- 2. Plagiarizing.
- 3. Academic deceit, such as fabricating data or information.
- 4. Aiding academic integrity policy violations and inappropriately collaborating.
- 5. Falsifying academic records.

Information on the Academic Integrity procedure within the College of Health Solutions can be found at <a href="https://catalog.asu.edu/policies/chs">https://catalog.asu.edu/policies/chs</a>.

#### **Student Code of Conduct**

Violations of the ASU Student Code of Conduct, other than the provision concerning academic dishonesty, are more generally considered inappropriate behavior. The Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities reviews and sanctions these matters. If a student violates both the academic integrity provision and additional provisions of the Student Code of Conduct, both the college and the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities will review the matter. Each independently makes determinations concerning violations and appropriate sanctions.

#### **Disruptive or Violent Behavior**

In the classroom and out, students are required to conduct themselves in a manner that promotes a safe environment that is conducive to learning and conducting other university-related business. All incidents and allegations of violent or threatening conduct by an ASU student will be reported to the ASU Police Department (ASU PD) and the Office of the Dean of Students. Such incidents will be dealt with in accordance with the policies and procedures described in Section 104-02 of the Student Services Manual, available at <a href="http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm104-02.htm">http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm104-02.htm</a>. Be advised that an instructor may withdraw a student from the course when the student's behavior disrupts the educational process per Instructor Withdrawal of a Student for Disruptive Classroom Behavior (<a href="http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/usi/usi201-10.html">http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/usi/usi201-10.html</a>).

## **Prohibition Against Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation**

Title IX is a federal law that provides that no person be excluded on the basis of sex from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity. Both Title IX and university policy make clear that sexual violence and harassment based on sex is prohibited. An individual who believes they have been subjected to sexual violence or harassed on the basis of sex can seek support, including counseling and academic support, from the university. If you or someone you know has been harassed on the basis of sex or sexually assaulted, you can find information and resources at <a href="https://sexualviolenceprevention.asu.edu/fags">https://sexualviolenceprevention.asu.edu/fags</a>.

As a mandated reporter, I am obligated to report any information I become aware of regarding alleged acts of sexual discrimination, including sexual violence and dating violence. <u>ASU Counseling Services</u> is available if you wish discuss any concerns confidentially and privately.

## **Inclusive Excellence and Health Equity**

The College of Health Solutions has a mission to improve the mental and physical health of our larger and immediate communities by better understanding the challenges that individuals and populations face, while striving to be part of the solution. The college is committed to the idea that every member of our society should have the opportunity for good health and wellness throughout their lifespans. In an effort to actualize this ideal, we embrace and support inclusive excellence in everything we do, including teaching, research, service and clinical practice. Learn more about the College of Health Solutions' commitments to inclusive excellence at <a href="https://chs.asu.edu/about/inclusive-excellence">https://chs.asu.edu/about/inclusive-excellence</a>.

Students have access to the <u>ASU Office of Advancing Inclusion and Culture</u>, which is dedicated to supporting and fostering a culture of inclusiveness, promoting and assisting with equal opportunity and diversity initiatives.

## Copyright

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The course syllabus and all other class materials (slide presentations, handouts, assignments, digital recordings, exams, quizzes, etc.) are intellectual property of Arizona State University and are not to be publicly distributed or otherwise commercialized since these materials are copyright protected. Such materials are for sole use in that designated semester. It cannot be used in any other form unless via a written statement of approval from the instructor. Commercial note taking services are prohibited in accordance with ACD 304-06 available at http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd304-06.html

This syllabus is subject to change with reasonable advance notice.

Please consult the syllabus on Canvas regularly.