

Schedule of Sessions

KEY: The readings are identified by the author's initials: Chapter one in Treadwell is DT-1. Chapter four in our style guide is DH-4. Our optional text is PB. This should assist you in integrating the insights of the various texts into your mastery of the material presented.

Date	Readings and Homework Due on this date	Class Session Focus
Mon. 1-11	Welcome back! Please do the following to make sure we get off to a good start: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Bookmark my COM 200 Site 2) Put due dates in your schedule 3) Spend some time on my site: look at student advice, follow the links so you know what is there. 4) Find your Forte Profile from COM 105. Email me if you don't have it or didn't take it. 	Why research methods matters Goals of research Overview of course
1-13	Register response pad , read DT chapter 1 (chapter 3 is optional) Look at IRB certification assignment! It is due Tuesday 1/26 but can be completed any time before then.	I am out of town. No class in classroom. Listen to ethics lecture online and review the IRB assignment in "Assignment Tutorials." I will answer questions about it on Monday.
*** From this point forward bring your keypad every day for attendance and quizzes! ***		
1-15	DT Chapter 2 Paradigm Summary Chart PB 2, 3, 4	I am out of town. No class in classroom. Listen to Research as argument lecture online.
MLK Day No Class: What Legacy Do YOU hope to leave?		
Wed. 1-20	Review our student handbook and focus on page 28. What 400-level classes most interest you? How might that impact how you form your COM 200 team? Exercise 1 on page 36-37 of DT may also help here.	Practice quiz Break into Teams Discuss effective group work Q/A on IRB and Group Assignments.
1-22	Assign CBT modules to each group member (see my site for details) Review Exhibit 2.2 in our text.	Practice quiz on worksheet for Chapter 2 Worldview and paradigms of research
Mon. 1-25	DT 11 Complete IRB assignment PB 14	Paradigm and purpose of qualitative research Q/A on IRB and CBT assignments Looking ahead to RP1
IRB Certification Due in my box by 4 pm Tuesday 1-26.		
1-27	DT 11 Have you done your group skills CBT yet? Check COM 200 folder in SkillPort	Process of qualitative research: designing qualitative research Q/A on Library Workshops
1-29	DT 11 and video on circular questioning. Follow THIS LINK and then type in "CMMCQ" for the password.	Process of qualitative research: data collection & video on circular questioning

Mon. 2-1	DT 11 Take library skills CBT in SkillPort COM 200 Folder.	Process of qualitative research: designing qualitative research & part of interview questions/guide
Group Skills CBTs must be completed by 4 pm Monday 2-1.		
2-3	<u>CHECK ROTATION CHART!</u> Article One Review Forte profile bring report to class (hard copy is best) Review Group Reflection assignment	If in class: APA Workshop, Article One and Forte, Quiz questions on Library CBT and make up second part of interview guide
2-5	<u>CHECK ROTATION CHART!</u> Article One Review Forte profile bring report to class (hard copy is best) Review Group Reflection assignment	If in class: APA Workshop, Article One and Forte, Quiz questions on Library CBT and make up second part of interview guide
Mon. 2-8	<u>CHECK ROTATION CHART!</u> DT 4 and APA guide PB 6, 15, App. B	If in class: Secondary research and Q/A on Reports & RP 1: be sure to have questions!
2-10	<u>CHECK ROTATION CHART!</u> DT 4 and APA guide	If in class: Secondary research and Q/A on Reports & RP 1: be sure to have questions!
2-12	<u>CHECK ROTATION CHART!</u> Work on Research Project One and Group Reflection Report	LIB Workshop in RL 1022 No class sessions in MO 100.
Group reflection report due by 4 pm Friday 2-12 in boxes outside my door.		
Mon. 2-15	Work on Research Project One Review DT 11	Analyzing qualitative data Q/A on RP 1
2-17	Work on Research Project One Read DT 14 PB 5, 6, 9, 11, 15	Products of research: research reports and more. Q/A on Research Project one
2-19	Prepare close to final draft of Research Project and bring TWO copies to class. This workshop will only be as good as YOU make it!	Research Project One Workshop: we will trade drafts with other groups for peer critique and final Q/A.
RP 1 with peer evaluation DUE 4 pm Friday 2-19 in boxes outside my office door.		
Mon. 2-22	Review for BB Exam coming soon it will cover DT 1, 2, 4, 11, 14 and class lecture content	Paradigm and Purpose of Quantitative Research
2-24	Review for BB Exam coming soon it will cover DT 1, 2, 4, 11, 14 and class lecture content	In Class Activity—be sure to bring your TEXTBOOK and response pad
BB Exam Opens at 9 am on 2-26 and closes 9 pm on 2-29		
2-26	Study hard and then take exam. Don't fake it or you'll bomb the final. Seriously, that happens a lot . . . just sayin'	Video on researching media effects. Bring response pad
Mon. 2-29	Read DT 5, PB 9 Review Research Project Two assignment on my website	The Challenge of Measurement Research Project Two overview

3-2	Read DT 6: Focus on PURPOSE not formulas! Work on Research Project Two PB 11	Descriptive Statistics and how they might apply to RP 2 (these sessions will be more helpful if you have a likely RP 2 topic in mind)	
3-4	Read DT 7: Focus on PURPOSE not formulas Work on Research Project Two	Testing for Difference	
Spring Break: Come back RESTED . . . not arrested.			
Mon. 3-14	Welcome Back! The best way to prep for class on Monday is to look at RP 2 assignment details on my website!	Q/A on RP 2 and upcoming conferences. Hand out "Library Exam."	
3-16	Work on Library Exam	Work on Library Exam (I will be in library during class time for Q/A)	
3-18	Work on Library Exam	Work on Library Exam (I will be in library during class time for Q/A)	
Mon. 3-21	Read DT 7: Focus on PURPOSE not formulas Work on Research Project Two	Inferential Statistics	
Library Exam due by 4 pm Monday 3-21 in boxes outside my door.			
3-23	Read DT 8 Work on Research Project Two PB 9, 8	Sampling in communication research	Conferences: Has YOUR group signed up? Do you have your memo ready? Suggest reading PB App. B and A. as preparation.
Easter Break			
Mon. 3-28	Read DT 9 Work on Research Project Two	Surveys and Questionnaires	
3-30	Read DT 9 Work on Research Project Two	Scales and Questionnaire Design	
4-1	Article Two	Discuss article and Q/A on RP 2	
Mon. 4-4	Read DT 10 PB 11	Experiments	
4-6	Study for Exam Three: DT 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	Experiments Q/A on RP 2	
Exam Three Opens at 9 am on 4-6 and closes 9 pm on 4-11			
4-8	Read DT 12 Study for Exam Three: DT 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	Content Analysis	
Mon. 4-11	Don't forget to take the exam!	Content Analysis	
4-13	DT 12	Content Analysis	
4-15	DT 13 Work on RP 2	Rhetorical Analysis	
Mon. 4-18	DT 13 Work on RP 2	Rhetorical Analysis	
4-20	Revise RP 2: this is a <i>methods</i> course—are your methods good for RP 2?	Rhetorical Analysis activity	
4-22	Work on RP2: is your data analysis paragraph really good? If not, fix it!	Peer feedback on RP 2: bring two copies of RP 2 and grading sheet.	
Mon. 4-25	Review for Final. See study guide!	Triangulation and Appropriateness	
Research Project Two DUE by 4 pm Tuesday 4-26 in the boxes outside my office door!			

4-27	Review for Final: bring questions to class!	Final exam review and course wrap up
Exam: Weds. May 4th from 8-11.		You can have 1 page of notes and APA style guide. Bring pencils or you'll need a dollar, a dollar, a dollar is what you'll need!

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