

RESEARCH FOR MASTER'S THESIS

ARH 6971

Class Periods: TBD

Location: Thesis Advisor's Office

Academic Term: Fall 2023

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Course Description

Research for Master's Thesis

Course Pre-Requisites / Co-Requisites

Student must have passed Departmental Language Exams, and have permission of instructor.

Course Objectives

To conduct research for Master's thesis, and (when ready) to make progress on writing.

Required Textbooks

No required texts for this course.

Course Schedule

- In order to work toward a timely submission of your MA Thesis, all advisees are expected to abide by the timeline below.
- All chapters should be submitted to me via electronic file.
- All chapters should be approximately 12-15 pages, yielding a total of 50-60 double-spaced pages within introduction and conclusion for the final MA Thesis (this page count does not include back matter: illustrations, bibliography).

Week 1: **Meet with Advisor** to establish monthly meeting times, and to discuss research plan for the semester.

Week 2: Submit written research plan. This should include an extended thesis proposal (3-5 pages) and bibliography.

Week 3: Research and/or Writing

Week 4: Research and/or Writing

Week 5: **Meet with Advisor**

Week 6: Research and/or Writing

Week 7: **Introduction & Chapter 1 DUE**

Week 8: Research and/or Writing

Week 9: **Meet with Advisor**

Week 10: Research and/or Writing

Week 11: Research and/or Writing

Week 12: **Remaining Chapters Due**

Week 13: **Meet with Advisor**

Week 14: Research and/or Writing

Week 15: Research and/or Writing
Week 16: Submit Summary of Research Progress

COMPLETE DRAFT DUE: December 20

Attendance Policy

It is expected that at a minimum, student will meet with advisor on a monthly basis to discuss progress in research and writing. Requirements for class attendance, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies. [Click here to read the university attendance policies.](#)

Evaluation of Grades: S/U Option only

I calculate grades in this course using a point system. Assignments have corresponding point values that add up to a maximum of 100. Point values for assignments are listed below. I use this scale in determining your final grade. A grade of C or better (a minimum of 70 points) is required for a “Satisfactory” in this course.

Grading Scale

A 95-100 points
A- 90-94
B+ 85-89
B 80-84
B- 75-79
C 70-74

<i>Assignment</i>	<i>Points</i>	<i>Total Points</i>
Meetings with Advisor	10 each	40
Research and Thesis Chapters	60	60
		100

More information on UF grading policy may be found at:

[UF Graduate Catalog](#)
[Grades and Grading Policies](#)

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the [Disability Resource Center](#). It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs, as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. [Click here for guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner.](#) Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. [Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students here.](#)

University Honesty Policy

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing

this assignment.” The Honor Code specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

Student Privacy

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see the Notification to Students of FERPA Rights.

Campus Resources:

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care:

If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu or 352 392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.

Counseling and Wellness Center: counseling.ufl.edu/cwc, and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)

Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

University Police Department at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or police.ufl.edu.

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu.

Career Resource Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling.

Library Support, Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.

Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers.

Student Complaints Campus

On-Line Students Complaints

COVID Related

In response to COVID-19, the following practices are in place to maintain your learning environment, to enhance the safety of our in-classroom interactions, and to further the health and safety of ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.

- If you are not vaccinated, get vaccinated. Vaccines are readily available at no cost and have been demonstrated to be safe and effective against the COVID-19 virus. Visit this link for details on where to get your shot, including options that do not require an appointment: <https://coronavirus.uflhealth.org/vaccinations/vaccine-availability/>. Students who receive the first dose of the vaccine somewhere off-campus and/or outside of Gainesville can still receive their second dose on campus.

- You are expected to wear approved face coverings at all times during class and within buildings even if you are vaccinated. Please continue to follow healthy habits, including best practices like frequent hand washing. Following these practices is our responsibility as Gators.
 - Sanitizing supplies are available in the classroom if you wish to wipe down your desks prior to sitting down and at the end of the class.
 - Hand sanitizing stations will be located in every classroom.
- If you are sick, stay home and self-quarantine. Please visit the UF Health Screen, Test & Protect website about next steps, retake the questionnaire and schedule your test for no sooner than 24 hours after your symptoms began. Please call your primary care provider if you are ill and need immediate care or the UF Student Health Care Center at 352-392-1161 (or email covid@shcc.ufl.edu) to be evaluated for testing and to receive further instructions about returning to campus. UF Health Screen, Test & Protect offers guidance when you are sick, have been exposed to someone who has tested positive or have tested positive yourself. Visit the [UF Health Screen, Test & Protect website](#) for more information.
 - Course materials will be provided to you with an excused absence, and you will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up work.
 - If you are withheld from campus by the Department of Health through Screen, Test & Protect you are not permitted to use any on campus facilities. Students attempting to attend campus activities when withheld from campus will be referred to the Dean of Students Office.
- Continue to regularly visit coronavirus.UFHealth.org and coronavirus.ufl.edu for up-to-date information about COVID-19 and vaccination.