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COURSE OUTLINE

1. COURSE PREFIX and NUMBER: **ADJ 235** CREDIT HOURS: 3
2. COURSE TITLE: **Research in Criminal Justice**
3. PREREQUISITES: ADJ 100, Survey of Criminal Justice; ADJ 105, The Juvenile Justice System; ADJ 107, Survey of Criminology; ENG 112, College Composition II
4. COURSE DESCRIPTION: Presents research methodology, including the development of research questions, quantification techniques, collection procedures, analysis tools, and the means of establishing relationships between theory, policy, and practice. Lecture 3 hours per week.
5. CONTENT: (Major Headings)
 - a. Data Source Location
 - b. Research Methodology
 - c. Paper Compilation
 - d. Annotated Bibliographies
 - e. Appropriate Citation Techniques
6. GENERAL COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

 - a. demonstrate the ability to develop a research problem and thesis.
 - b. research and examine both sides of the issue.
 - c. use appropriate academic resources for research.
 - d. create annotated bibliographies for use in writing the paper.
 - e. prepare a written research paper on a problem chosen by the student.
 - f. prepare and deliver an oral presentation on their research topic.