

**ECE 491
Honors Students
Texas A & M Commerce**

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Course Description:

The honors student will investigate a topic of interest, plan a research study to build on the interest, collect data, analyze the data and summarize the results.

Course Objectives and Activities:

1. The student will identify a topic of interest.
2. The student will analyze the literature and develop themes in the literature.
3. The student will design the develop a research question, collect data, analyze the data and summarize the results.

Course Evaluations:

A=90-100%

B=80-89%

C=70-79%

D=60-69%

F=below 60%

Course Policies and Procedures

***If you decide not to take the course, you are responsible for dropping the course.
Failure to do so will result in an F in the course.***

1. Attendance

Attendance at all class meetings is ***required and is essential*** to your success in this course. Each student may accrue up to two absences during the semester for any reason. Absences over two will result in points subtracted from the professionalism grade.

2. Cell Phones

Please respect the instructor and your peers **by turning off** your cell phone and beepers upon entering our classroom. If there is an emergency and you need to leave it on, please notify me before class. This should constitute only emergencies.

3. Assignment Due Dates

All assignments are due by 12 midnight on the day they are due. Assignments that arrive past the due date will result in a 2 point reduction for each day they are late.

4. Written Assignments

All assignments must be typed, double space, in legible (preferably times roman or comic sans) 12 pt font. College level writing is expected. If you feel insecure about your writing abilities you may want to seek assistance from the writing lab in the department of literature and languages. They will not assist with spelling. Please make sure someone proofs your paper. Excessive grammar, spelling and vocabulary errors will result in a lower grade. You should demonstrate mastery of organizing, structure and editing.

5. Plagiarism of writings

Plagiarism will result in a grade of F for the assignment and possibly the course. Further infractions could result in dismissal from the teacher education program. Plagiarism consists of copying directly from a source without properly citing the source. It is also using someone else's work and claiming it as your own. Please cite your references in APA format. See handout for examples.

Students with Disabilities-- ADA Statement

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:

Office of Student Disability Resources and Services

Texas A&M University-Commerce
Velma K. Waters Library Rm 162
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835
Fax (903) 468-8148

Email: studentdisabilityservices@tamuc.edu

Website: [Office of Student Disability Resources and Services](#)

<http://www.tamuc.edu/campusLife/campusServices/studentDisabilityResourcesAndServices/>

Nondiscrimination Notice

Texas A&M University-Commerce will comply in the classroom, and in online courses, with all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination and related retaliation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, genetic information or veteran status. Further, an environment free from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression will be maintained.

Campus Concealed Carry Statement

Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in Texas A&M University-Commerce buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and A&M-Commerce Rule 34.06.02.R1, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations.

For a list of locations, please refer to the [Carrying Concealed Handguns On Campus](#) document and/or consult your event organizer.

Web url:

<http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/34SafetyOfEmployeesAndStudents/34.06.02.R1.pdf>

Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all A&M-Commerce campuses. Report violations to the University Police Department at 903-886-5868 or 9-1-1.

Professionalism Component

You are expected to demonstrate a professional attitude at all times. This includes respecting the thoughts of your peers as well as your instructor. Also included is the following: participating in small and large group discussions, being on time, staying the entire time, accepting constructive criticism, listening, turning in high quality work, and understanding that this is a growth experience. Students who come into class expecting an A need to rethink their reason for being here. If you want an A, then you will work to earn the A. **The Professional Behavioral Standards Evaluation Form** will be used at such a time as it is warranted due to non-compliance with these expectations. “All students enrolled at the university shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment.” (see Student’s Guide Handbook, Policies and Procedures, Conduct).