

**JURI2856 - Research Methods in Law and Politics**

**WED 7-10 PM**

Class	Topic	Remarks
Class 1 Jan. 11	Introduction and orientation Ontological dimension Is Law real? Philosophers Assumptive modes	In-person class
Class 2 Jan. 18	Epistemological dimension Notion of science Origins of modern science Empiricism/Positivism Critique of induction Deductive reasoning Falsifiability. Popper. Kuhn. The Scientific Revolution. The paradigm.	In-person class
Class 3 Jan. 25	Science as a social construction. Feyerabend. Against method.	Online
Class 4 Feb. 1	The research problem Science as solving problems. Research questions. The structure of the research problem. Elements.	In-person class
Class 5 Feb. 8	Hypothesis Objectives Theoretical framework Literature review Research conclusions	In-person class
Class 6 Feb. 15	<b>Quantitative methods</b> Inductive reasoning <b>Deductive reasoning</b> <b>Abductive reasoning</b> Qualitative methods Triangulation	In-person class
Class 7 March 1	<b>Distribution of midterm test</b>	Take-home midterm (no in-

(Test)		person or online class)
Class 8 March 8	Law and science Against science Law as a science. Positivist approaches to law. Langdell. Kelsen. <b>Submission of midterm test</b>	In-person class
Class 9 March 15	Legal methods Contexts of discovery, justification, and The hermeneutics approach The doctrinal method The legal method	In-person class
Class 10 March 22	Law and social science Legal research and other disciplines. Political science.	In-person class
Class 11 March 29	<b>Distribution of final take-home</b>	Online
Class 12 April 5	<b>Submission of final take-home</b> Feedback	Final take-home (no in-person or online class)