DSC 500 RESEARCH METHODS

Assignment #5: List of developed research statements, objectives, questions, or hypotheses

Build on your refinement of assignment #2 (re-statement of one of your research problems) by stating the research statements, objectives, questions, or hypotheses. If your work is applied project based, use objectives or statements rather than questions, or hypotheses.

If you are using hypotheses, use the null form:

$H_1$: 

$H_2$: 

$H_3$: 

If you are using the question/objective/statement format, list in order of sequence.

1:

2:

3:

You might want to try stating the above in a couple of different forms to see which one clearly and concisely states the problem most effectively!

Think ahead to next week and our discussion of concepts, constructs, variables, and operational and tentative or descriptive definitions -- you will see that you will probably come back and refine your hypotheses/objectives/questions/statements more than once after you operationalize or describe the study or project concepts, constructs, or variables!

This is the point that we "get serious" about your statement of the problem and defining statements (above). After you finish this assignment and we talk about it in class, I want to meet with each of you -- review problem statement; statements, hypotheses, objectives or questions; and revised outline based on assignment #2. You will move from here to your "mini-thesis/applied project proposal outline" so we need time for discussion in class and on a one-to-one basis!