Final Course Paper – 30%  *Students are required to write and submit an original academic paper relevant to the course subject matter. The paper must strictly follow the format provided in the assignment, cover all aspects/sections listed, adhere to proper grammar, word usage and sentence structure principles, provide clear and cohesive articulation of the relevant principles and concepts, include critical analysis and objective conclusions, and follow APA style format. At least 4 external (original works in addition to the required text) sources must be cited and referenced, three of which must be peer-reviewed articles from academic journals. The title page, abstract, table of contents, reference section and any ancillary pages are not included in the required page count. The paper must be written in 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced with one-inch margins, in .doc or .docx format, and submitted via the designated thread in a timely manner.*

**Final Paper Assignment:**

**Forensic Psychology is when science and psychology are used in the legal system to help solve crimes and determine motives. Some of the more popular television shows currently being shown deal with this field. It quickly changes and has many new cutting-edge techniques. Use one of the exciting and creative ideas listed below for your final research paper topic. You do not all have to have a different topic, so don’t worry about having to claim one. If you have a topic you’d like to use that is not on the list please email me for permission to use the topic. Paper must be at least 5 full pages not including cover page, abstract, reference page, and any ancillary pages (graphs, tables).**

1. Hitler and his destruction-looking into his plan and mind
2. Serial killers and alarming similarities in behavior-select two or three of them and do a compare and contrast
3. The abused and becoming an abuser- a study on the statistics
4. Ted Bundy: Good looks and an evil mind-exploring him and his acts
5. Killers from the past: Jesse James and Billy the Kid
6. Is there a DNA component that a serial killer has and if so what proof is there of this?
7. How much impact does animal abuse during childhood have on adults who become killers?
8. Fingerprints and how they are used in solving crimes in modern times.
9. Can the mind overthrow the body, how mentally ill people turn to crime.
10. The new equipment used in the field and what is coming out next.
11. Taking a look at the surveys and case studies that have changed how law enforcement looks at violent criminals.
12. Canines and how they are used in the field to catch criminals
13. Interrogation and the questions asked that solve crimes
14. How to read body language and what it says about a person
15. Can terrorists be stopped and do they have markers that are consistent throughout all of them
16. Hallucinations as the causes of committed crimes.
17. Battered Woman Syndrome.
18. Major ethical questions that arise during personality assessment.
19. Is eyewitness identification reliable?
20. Psychology of missing person cases.
21. Cyber harassment problem.
22. The role of statistics applied to a crime event.