Capstone Project Description
The effectiveness of participants and their overall experience throughout the 4th Judicial Recovery Courts program.

Over 200+ participants responded to a survey given to them at any point of the program's phases.

Organizational Context
Substance abuse begins in different stages of people's lives and either progresses or is discontinued.

An important factor when recruiting individuals to problem-solving courts is making sure their criminal behavior along with their substance abuse is taken into consideration.

Problem-solving courts function differently than regular court settings.

Individualized treatment is given to each individual rather than a "one-size" fits all model.

Professional/Scholarly Background
The three major paradigms of problem-solving courts are: therapeutic justice, accountability, and community justice.

Problem-solving courts provide treatment to nonviolent, chemically dependent, felony, and misdemeanor-level defendants.

Methodology
A quantitative and qualitative survey was previously developed and circulated to gather data from participants who participated in the Recovery Courts Program.

A regression analysis, means and standard deviation for each quantitative questions was analyzed.

In addition, for qualitative questions, themes were created to show significance in participants responses.

Findings

Takeaway/Recommendations
Focus has to be on treatment, probation supervision, and routine drug tests.

Drug offenders need treatment in order to resume their lives and be able to return to their families drug free and gainfully employed.