

SOCIOLOGY 4223: CRIMINOLOGY
Thursday 2:00-4:40; SH 203
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Course Description:

Systematic examination of the basic nature of crime. Emphasis placed on extent, social foundations, police, courts, law, prisons, theories of punishment, theories of causation, and efforts in prevention.

Course Objective:

To gain a deeper knowledge of theories of crime causation, punishment, and the structure of the criminal justice system. In addition, attention will be given to crime prevention and theories and practices related to alternative sentencing.

Required Text:

Criminology, The Core. Larry J. Siegel

Course Requirements:

3 Exams = 50 points each (150 points possible)

12 quizzes = 10 points each – you will be permitted to throw out 2 quizzes (100 points possible)

12 in-class activities = 5 points each – you will be permitted to throw out 2 activities (50 points possible)

Book Review = 100 points (75 for the paper and 25 for presentation)

Total Points = 400

Course Grading:

360-400 = A

320-359 = B

280-319 = C

240-279 = D

Below 240 = F

Class Attendance:

Class attendance is expected. You are also expected to arrive to class on time and not leave early (unless an emergency occurs). Attendance will be taken at the time of in-class activities. Students will be penalized only for course work they miss (i.e., in-class assignment, exam, paper).

Make-up Exams and Assignments:

Make-up exams will only be permitted if the student receives permission from the instructor. Permission will be given only if a problem occurs that is out of the student's control (i.e., death in the family, serious illness, etc) and then only if written documentation is provided (i.e., doctor's note etc). Make-up exams and in class exams will not be the same. Make-up exams will consist of essay questions only. There will be no make-ups for missed in-class assignments. Late papers will be deducted by one grade for every day (not class period) the paper is late.

Academic Misconduct:

Students who commit academic misconduct will be given a grade of zero on the assignment or exam. If a second offense is committed, the student will be given a grade of "F" in the course. Plagiarism will be treated in the same manner.

ADA Compliance:

If a student feels he/she has a disability requiring special accommodations, he/she should inform the instructor so the University's Office of Student Affairs can be contacted. The instructor will work with students to ensure that they have equal opportunity to complete the class.

Course Schedule (may change at instructor's discretion):**Week 1**

Course Introduction and Chapter 1

Week 2

Finish chapter 1 and chapter 2

Week 3

Chapter 3

Week 4

Chapter 4

Week 5

EXAM 1 (Feb. 12)

Week 6

Chapter 5

Week 7

Chapter 6

Week 8

Chapter 7

Week 9

Chapter 8

Week 10

Spring Break: March 15-19 (Mon. – Fri.)

Week 11

Review of theory

Week 12

EXAM 2 (April 1)

Week 13

Chapter 9 and chapter 10

Week 14

Finish chapter 10 and chapter 11

Week 15

Chapter 12 and chapter 13

Begin paper presentations

Week 16

Chapter 14

Finish paper presentations

Paper Due: Thursday, April 29th in class

FINAL EXAM

Thursday, May 6

3:00-4:50