

CRIJ 2362
Criminology
Spring 2017
Zhejiang Police College

Instructors: Professors Jurek, Henry, and Wells

Course Description

Catalogue: Crime as a form of deviant behavior; nature and extent of crime; past and present theories; evaluation of prevention, control, and treatment programs.

Objectives: This class will present a general overview of the field of criminology. The primary emphasis will be on crime in the United States, but we will make a concerted effort to compare crime in the U.S. to other societies.

Required Readings

Schmallegger, Frank. 2012. Criminology Today, sixth edition. Pearson.

Grading

Two examinations and a final examination:

Two examinations (100 points each)

200 Points

Final Examination

100 Points

Total

300 Points

Grade Distribution

270-30 Points	A
240-269 Points	B
210-239 Points	C
180-209 Points	D
0-179 Points	F

Extra Credit

No extra credit will be given.

Academic Honesty

The Faculty of the College of Criminal Justice expects students to conduct their academic work with integrity and honesty. Acts of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and can result in the failure of a course and dismissal from the University.

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing work offered for credit, the abuse of resource materials, and misrepresentation of credentials or accomplishments as a member of the college.

The University's policy on academic honesty and appeal procedures can be found in the manual, entitled, *Student Guidelines*, distributed by the Division of Student Services (Reference Section 5.3 of the guidelines—you translation of the material: you cheat, you flunk).

Attendance

The university policy on attendance can be found at the website,
http://www.shsu.edu/~vaf_www/aps/documents/800401_001.pdf

Disabled Student Policy

Students with a disability which affects their academic performance are expected to arrange for a conference with the instructor in order that appropriate strategies can be considered to ensure that participation and achievement opportunities are not impaired. For a full discussion of the university policy, see http://www.shsu.edu/~vaf_www/aps/documents/811006.pdf.

Services for Disabled Students

<http://www.shsu.edu/~counsel/sswd.html>

Student Absences on Religious Holy Days

Consistent with the Texas Education Code and SHSU University Policy 861001, students who desire to be absent from a scheduled class in order to observe a religious holy day shall present the professor with a written statement concerning the religious holy day(s). I will then notify the students of a reasonable time frame in which the missed assignments are to be completed.

Tobacco Products

There will be no use of tobacco products allowed in the classroom at any time. Violators of this policy will be warned one time; the second instance of use will result in dismissal from the class.

Use of Telephones and Text Messagers in Academic Classrooms and Facilities

The university policy on telephones in academic classrooms can be found at the following website:

http://www.shsu.edu/~vaf_www/aps/documents/100728.pdf. With respect to tests, the following stipulation will be followed:

“Any use of a telephone or text messenger or any device that performs these functions during a test period is prohibited. These devices should not be present during a test or should be stored securely in such a way that they cannot be seen or used by the student. Even the visible presence of such a device during the test period will result in a zero for that test. Use of these devices during a test is considered de facto evidence of cheating and could result in a charge of academic dishonesty.”

Tentative Order of Topics and Reading Assignments

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Reading</i>
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Part 1 of the course deals with the nature of the field of criminology, patterns of crime and we acquire an understanding of crime and criminology.

5/7/18-	Introduction/Orientation	Chapter 1
5/18/18	What is Criminology? Where do Theories Come from?	Chapter 2

Part 2 of the course deals with traditional explanations of crime. Such explanations range from Bentham and Beccaria to more modern psychiatric theorists.

Classical and Neoclassical Theory	Chapter 3
Biological Theories	Chapter 4

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5/21/18-	Psychological and Psychiatric Theories	Chapter 5
6/1/18		

Part 3 deals with sociological explanations of crime.

Social Structure Theories	Chapter 6
Social Process Theories	Chapter 7
Social Conflict Theories	Chapter 8

Second Examination: June 1, 2018

Part 4 of the course looks at the various manifestations and types of crimes in the modern world.

6/4/18-	Crimes against Persons	Chapter 9
6/15/18	Crimes against Property	Chapter 10
	White Collar and Organized Crime	Chapter 11
	Public Order Crime and Drugs	Chapter 12
	Globalization and Terrorism	Chapter 14

Final Examination: June 15, 2018