AJ 56 Course Outline as of Fall 2019

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: AJ 56 Title: CRIM JUSTICE IN SOCIETY Full Title: Crime and Criminal Justice in Society Last Reviewed: 2/12/2018

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	8	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category:	AA Degree Applicable
Grading:	Grade or P/NP
Repeatability:	00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP
Also Listed As:	
Formerly:	

Catalog Description:

This course examines the theories of crime causation and the extent of crime in contemporary society, and the social, legal, and political responses to criminal and delinquent behavior.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: CSU GE:	Area D Transfer Area D D0		avioral Sciences Criminology	Effective: Spring 1994 Effective: Fall 1995	Inactive: Inactive:
IGETC:	Transfer Area			Effective:	Inactive:
CSU Transfer	:Transferable	Effective:	Spring 1994	Inactive:	
UC Transfer:		Effective:		Inactive:	
CID:					

CID Descriptor:SOCI 160	Introduction to Crime
SRJC Equivalent Course(s):	AJ56

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Identify the major theories of crime causation and crime typologies in criminology.
- 2. Identify the major theories of victim behavior in victimology and its impact on society.
- 3. Identify the principle criminal justice agencies and their key responses to crime and criminals.
- 4. Explain the methods of inquiry in the social and behavioral sciences.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Critique the social and political responses to crime.
- 2. Describe the concepts of criminology and victimology, and their relationship to crime and justice in society.
- 3. Evaluate selected theories of criminology.
- 4. Apply the methods of inquiry of the social and behavioral sciences to criminology research.
- 5. Evaluate critical issues and trends relating to crime and justice in society.
- 6. Identify crime typologies, including violent crime, property crimes, white-collar crime, cybercrime, organized crime, and public order crime.
- 7. Evaluate key responses by criminal justice agencies to crime and criminal behavior.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Crime and Criminology
 - A. History of criminology
 - B. Definition of a crime
 - C. Measurement of crime
 - D. Criminology research and methods of inquiry
 - E. Trends and patterns of criminal behavior

- F. Policies and practices within the justice system
- II. Victims and Victimization
 - A. Impact of crime
 - B. Theories of victimization
 - C. Political response to victims
 - D. Victim advocacy and rights
- III. Theories of Crime Causation
 - A. Classical and neoclassic theories
 - B. Trait theories
 - C. Social structure theories
 - D. Social process theories
 - E. Social conflict theory
- F. Developmental theory
- IV. Crime Typologies
 - A. Violent crimes
 - B. Property crimes
 - C. White-collar crimes
 - D. Organized crimes
 - E. Cybercrimes
 - F. Public order crimes

Assignment:

- 1. Read 20-30 pages weekly
- 2. Written weekly homework
- 3. Written research project
- 4. Quizzes (5-10), midterm exam, and final exam

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, research project

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

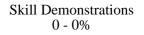
Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Writing 30 - 40%

Problem solving	
0 - 0%	



Quizzes, midterm, and final exams; multiple-choice, true-false, short-answer, and essay

Exams 60 - 70%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Criminology: Theories, Patterns, and Typologies. 13th ed. Seigel, Larry. Wadsworth Publishing. 2017

Criminology: A Brief Introduction. 3rd ed. Schmalleger, Frank. Pearson. 2015 California Justice. Kulczyk, David. Craven Street Books. 2007 Instructor prepared materials