AJ 56 Course Outline as of Fall 2011

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	17.5	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:
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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:
Elibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

Limits on Enrollment:

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Transfer Credit: CSU;

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	**Area**		Effective:	Inactive:
	D	Social and Behavioral Sciences	Spring 1994	
CSU GE:	**Transfer Area**		Effective:	Inactive:
	D	Social Science	Fall 1995	
	D0	Sociology and Criminology		
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

Outcomes and Objectives:
Upon completion of this course, the student will 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	Writing 10 - 40%

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

Homework activities	Problem solving 10 - 20%

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

None	Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

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

Research project, multiple-choice, true-false, short-answer, and essay quizzes, midterm, and final exams	Exams 50 - 70%

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

None	Other Category 0 - 0%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:
1. Criminology: A Brief Introduction. Schmalleger, F. Prentice Hall: 2011
2. Criminology: Theories, Patterns, and Typologies (10th ed). Seigel, L. Wadsworth Publishing: 2008
3. California Justice. Kulcsk, D. Word Dancer Press: 2008
4. Instructor prepared materials