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CJ 151 Criminal Justice Systems
Winter Session 2001 (3 Credit Boon)
Chaminade University

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Class Time/Day: 6:00-10:00 PM Mon. and Wed.

Course Objectives:

The objective of CJ 151 is to introduce the student to the American Criminal Justice System. At the conclusion of this course it is expected that the student will be able:

1. to clearly and logically describe the CJ system;
2. to discuss the CJ system using technical vocabulary;
3. to describe the responsibilities of the various components of the CJ system;
4. to recognize landmark legal cases and their impact on the CJ system; and
5. to understand the importance of diverse, "well rounded" individuals in Criminal Justice fields.

Course Description:

An overview of the criminal justice systems, processes, and personnel, and the roles and relationships of various law enforcement agencies.

Required Textbook:

Frank Schmalleger (2001), Criminal Justice Today (6th ed.)

Attendance:

Attendance is an expected and necessary requirement of this course. It is recognized that there are times when the student will not be able to attend class but absence from class will impact the final grade. Given the accelerated pace of this class, it is better to arrive late or leave early than miss the entire class. The student's participation in each class session is considered important to the learning process and will impact the final grade. Missing class is not an excuse for not being prepared for the next class, in fact, I will make a point of call on students who miss a class at the very next class to insure that you are not falling behind.

There will be one final examination that will account for 2/3 of the waft IM examination. The examination cannot be made up unless the absence is documented for medical reasons, service to the University, military work obligations, or other reasons as deemed acceptable by me. Delay in contacting me prior to the examination or as soon as possible after the examination is reason to deny a MAO-UP examination.

Reading Assignments:

Reading assignments will be completed prior to class or the student will not be prepared to participate meaningfully in class. The final grade may be adversely impacted by poor class participation. Given the accelerated nature of this class, a student may be responsible for having read up to five chapters per week. Don't get behind as it will be very difficult to catch up!

Course Evaluation:

Students will be evaluated upon the following factors:

1. A final examination worth 100 points. The examination will cover all 17 chapters of the required text.
2. Class attendance worth 10 points - one point for each class.
3. Class participation worth 20 points - quality is just as important as quantity.
4. Individualized project of which there will be 2 components - presentation to the whole class and short write up.

Final Course Grades are Based on the Following:

A=135-150

B=120-134

C=105-119

D=90-104

F=less than 90

CJ 151 Course Syllabus

- Jan. 5 **Chapter 1 (What is Criminal Justice)**
Class exercise (In a Grove by **Ryunosuke** Akutagawa)
- Jan. 10 **Chapter 2 (The Crime Picture)**
Chapter 3 (The Search for Causes)
Chapter 4 (Criminal Law)
- Jan. 17 Chapter 5 (Policing: **History** and **Structure**)
Chapter 6 (Police Management)
Chapter 7 (Policing: Legal Aspects)
Individualized Class Project subject due
- Jan. 22 Chapter 8 (The Courts)
Chapter 9 (The Courtroom Work **Group and the Criminal Trial**)
- Jan. 24 **Chapter 10 (Sentencing)**
Chapter 11 (**Probation, Parole, and Community Corrections**)
- Jan. 29 **Chapter 12 (Prisons and Jails)**
Chapter 13 (Prison **Life**)
- Jan. 31 **Chapter 14 (Juvenile Justice)**
Chapter 15 (Drugs and Crime)
- Feb. 5 **Chapter 16 (Multinational Criminal Justice)**
Chapter 17 (The Future of **Criminal Justice**)
- Feb. 9 **Individualized Project Oral Presentations**
Final **exam** review (**Students to prepare questions**)
- Feb. 12 Final **Examination**
Final class exercise **and course/instructor evaluation**
- Feb. 16 **Individualized Project Write up due**