

FE '02

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CJ 201 - Foundations of Criminology
October 8th - December 17th 2002
SYLLABUS

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MS in Criminal Justice Administration; Chaminade University of Honolulu
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Course Description and General Outline:

This course will examine the study of crime, punishment and prevention. Students will be required to learn to think and express themselves concerning the causes of crime in a more focused and scientific manner. Discussions and lectures will be on criminology; (the scientific study of making laws, breaking of laws, and reaction towards the breaking of laws). The course will cover the assessment of crime over time and place, and measure the characteristics of criminals and crime. In addition, students will learn other methods of study from all social and behavioral sciences, examining the schools of thought contributing to criminology.

Learning Objectives:

- To focus on the ability to gain a scientific way of thinking and expression towards crime and criminals
- To obtain a familiarity with the motives, causes and correlation to crime.
- To develop and have an appreciation for criminology and the theory development process

Textbooks: Criminology, 4th ed., Adler, F., Mueller, G., & Laufer, W., (2001)

Additional Course Materials: To be announced and or distributed by the instructor

Attendance Policy:

Due to the intensive components of this course, attendance is mandatory. Attendance will be comprised of one-third of the final class grade. Upon three absences a deficiency notice will be sent to the registrar within the recommendation that the student withdraw from the course. Students who miss three or more classes will receive a grade of "FA-

failure due to poor attendance." On rare occasions, exceptions will be made due to documented military necessity and/ or serious family/ or personal reasons. It will be the student's responsibility to communicate with the registrar regarding withdraws, add/drops, credit/no credit options. It is also the student's responsibility to contact instructor.

Grading Policy:

Grades will be based on a point system. There will be a total of 300 possible points; 100 points for attendance / book review outline & presentation / discussions / all and & any participation; 100 points for mid-term and final examine 50/50; and 100 points for written research project.

Point System Breakdown:

Attendance/ Participation:

- **100 points** – students arriving on time, prepared for and participating in all class work and discussions will receive 100 points.
- **90 points** – 1 absence
- **80 points**- 2 absences

RECOMMENDED COURSE WITHDRAWAL and/or FAILURE DUE TO ATTENDANCE- 3 absences

Midterm & Final Exam:

- **100 points**- the midterm and final will each count for 50 points. The midterm exam will consist of the first half of the course material and the final will consist of the second half of the course.

Research Project:

- **100 points**- Students will be required to prepare a written research paper (7 pages minimum) of a theorist of criminology. You will then be required to present your research project in class. All papers must conform to the Chaminade University writing requirement. Double-space APA standard paper. Minimums of 3 references are required.
- **5 points EXTRA CREDIT**-A written research paper (5 pages minimum) regarding a high profile case explaining the crime and criminals behavior. (i.e. In the mind of Jeffery Dahmer, O.J. Simpson, Charles Manson Andrew Cunanan)

Final Grades:

A	270-300 points
B	240-269 points
C	210-239 points
D	195-209 points
F	Below 195 or more than 2 absences

COURSE OUTLINE

CJ 201 CRIMINOLOGY FALL 2002

WEEK 1 (October 8)

Part I: Understanding Criminology

- Introduction
- Chapter 1 (text book)
- Outline of chapter
- Overview of research paper

WEEK 2 (October 15)

Part I: Understanding Criminology

- Chapters 2 & 3 (textbook)
- Outline/ group discussions
- Video/reaction paper (tentative)

WEEK 3 (October 22)

Part II: Explanation of Crime and Criminals Behavior

- Chapters 4,5 & 6 (textbook)
- Outline/ group discussions
- Video/reaction paper (tentative)

WEEK 4 (October 29)

Part II: Explanation of Crime and Criminals Behavior

- Chapters 7,8 &9 (textbook)
- Video/reaction paper (tentative)
- Outline/group discussion
- Review for mid-term

WEEK 5 (November 12)

- Midterm Exam

WEEK 6 (November 19)

Part III: Types of Crimes

- Chapters 10,11 & 12 (textbook)
- Outline/ group discussions
- Video/reaction paper (tentative)

WEEK 7 (November 26)

Part III Types of Crimes

- Chapters 13, 14, &15 (textbook)
- Outline/ group discussions
- PAPERS DUE**
- Presentations

WEEK 8 (December 3)

- Presentations
- Group discussions
- Review

WEEK 9 (December 10)

- Presentations
- Review for Final Exam

WEEK 10 (December 17)

- Final Exam
- Pot Luck (tentative)