

Chaminade University
CJ 201 Foundations in Criminology

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SYLLABUS FOR FOUNDATIONS IN CRIMINOLOGY

Class Meetings: 6111 Tues., 6/13 Thurs., 6117 Mon., 6119 Wed., 6;21 Fri.,
6'24 Mon., 6126: 5:30 p.m.-9:40 9.m.
6115 Sat., 6122 Sat.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Text: Freda Adler, Gerhard Mueller, William Laufer. (1998), Criminology, 4th edition.
New York: McGraw-Hill Co.

Course description: This course is an introduction to criminology. It covers many theories and concepts relating to criminology and sociology. We will study techniques for measuring the characteristics of criminals, crimes, and victims and trace the history and evolution of criminology. Furthermore, we will study criminal behavior from the biological, sociological, psychological, and sociopolitical perspectives. Finally, we will examine crimes from a legal standpoint.

Course objectives: Upon completion of this course, students will have a good understanding of why people commit crimes, the different types of crimes, and defenses to these crimes.

Learning outcome and assessments: All of the students' work will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Knowledge of the subject matter from textbooks, lectures, discussions, research and outside sources;
- Ability to apply knowledge to current events and hypothetical situations;
- Logical and critical thinking;
- Demonstration of achieving class objectives,

Format: This class will be an interactive learning experience. The class will integrate lectures, class discussions, group projects, debates, current events, and presentations. We will cover about two chapters per class.

Schedule and weight of tests and assignments: Your grade will be based on a midterm and a final exam, as well as participation and various projects throughout the class.

Midterm Exam:	Ch. 1-8	Class #6	40%
Final Exam:	Ch. 9-15	Class #12	40%
Participation			10%
Assignments:			10%

Class policies: To **make** this **learning experience** positive for everyone:

- I expect all **students** to come to class on time, to be **thoroughly** prepared and to actively participate in class discussions.
- I expect students to be respectful. of everyone in the classroom,
- If you will be absent or tardy, please call me at 5.51-6565.
- If you miss a test, **make** rescheduling arrangements **with me**.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please inform **me** as soon as possible.

Grading:	90%-100%	A
	80°10-89%	B
	70%-79%	C
	60%-69%	D
	59% or below	F

Disclaimer: I reserve the **right** to change **this** syllabus at any time.