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# **Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice**

### Instructor: Mr. Bob McDermott

423-1919, 586-9470 or 371-4605.

Textbook: Criminal Justice. Opposing Viewpoints, editor Michael D. Kiskup.

### Course Overview

The focus of this course will be contemporary issues, <u>particularly</u> the outbreak of <u>Juvenile</u> violence, and how they are affected and adjudicated by our current criminal justice system, keeping in mind that our system is a living entity which is constantly developing and metamorphosing.

### Course Objective

Through the text, assigned readings, and guest lecturers, expose students to, and provide insight into, a wide range of contemporary issues, particularly the outbreak of youth violence, and their origins in a seminar type setting requiring intensive student participation.

Grading 4 quizzes at 20% **each Class** participation and attendance 10% Oral presentation 10%

Suggested Reading: <u>Body</u> Count. William J, Bennett, John Dilulio, and John Waiters. Crime, editors James Wilson and Joan Petersilia. It's All the Rage: Crime and Culture, Wendy Kaminer Real.I ice, Ted Wachtel

Class Meetings as Scheduled in the Bulletin.

If you have any questions about the grading process, please ask me for clarification.

As working students I understand that there may be a need for flexibility on occasion. I will make reasonable accommodations for reasonable absences. See page two for more detailed information.

### Page two Expectations

Attendance: Attendance is an expected an necessary requirement of the course. It is recognized that there are times when students will not be able to attend class but absence from class will. impact their grade. The students's participation in each class session is-considered very important to the learning process. it is the student's responsibility to prepare for each class. Missing class is not an excuse for being unprepared for the next class or not completing the assignments. A students grade may be reduced due to missed classes or continued late arrivals to class. Sleeping in class is frowned upon and is annotated as absent **from** class. Leaving early without a valid excuse is also frowned upon and is noted.

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### Alternative arrangements for exams may be Wild if the absence

is due to **frivolous** reasons as **determined** by the instructor.

Reading Assignments: Reading assignments must be completed prior to class or the student will not be prepared to participate in discussions. Lectures are prepared on the assumption and expectation that the student has read the assigned material.

#### Grai ng will be as follows:

- A > 90% Outstanding scholarship and intellectual initiative.
- H > 80% Superior work done in a consistent intellectual manner. C > 70% Average grade indicating a competent grasp of course.
- D
- 60% Inferior work of the lowest passing grade. 60% Failed to grasp oven minimum subject matter. Ρ
- I = Did not complete small portion of work.

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## Criminal Justice Supervision and Management

#### Instructor: Bob McDermott **BA Economics Chaminade 1988** MBA Chaminade 1994 Hawaii State House of Representatives 1996 to present 423-1919 or 586-9470

T tB o., Police Administration, structures, processes, and behaviors. Fourth editions, the Authors are Charles S. Swanson, Leonard Turito, and Robert W. Taylor.

### **Course Objective:**

Thorough the text, assigned readings, and guest lecturers, provide the students with an insight to Supervision/Management in a classroom type setting requiring intensive student participation.

### Course Overview

Since Criminal Justice Supervision and Management is necessarily a function to the public sector, we will concentrate on Police and Criminal Justice Management and How it relates to the day to day operations in a real world criminal Justice setting.

### Grading Weight

25% Midterm 30% Ouizzes 25% Final 20% Class Attendance and Participation

Please see page two for grading scale and class expectations. If you have any questions relating to grading, please contact the instructor anytime. Page three contains suggested reading for your edification and personal enrichment.

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Examinations: Students are expected to complete the examinations during the allotted time frame. Exams will be in the form of essay questions requiring comprehensive thought, sentence structure and grammar. Students who miss an examination are required to call the instructor at least 24 hours prior to the exam. Students who know in advance they will miss an exam should contact the instructor to make other arrangements. If a student did not have advance notice of the fact that one would miss the exam, contact the instructor within 24 hours and be prepared to make-up the exam with 48 hours.

Alternative arrangements for exams may be denied if the absence is due to frivolous reasons as determined by the instructor.

<u>Reading Assignments</u>: Reading assignments must be completed prior to class or the student will not be prepared to participate in discussions. Lectures are prepared on the assumption and expectation that the student has *read* the assigned material.

### Grading will be as follows

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## CJ 270 Criminal Justice Supervision and Management **Suggested** Readings

### Th Administration an Management of Criminal Justice Organizations: A Book of

Readings. Stan Stojkovic(Editor), John Klofas (Editor), David Kalinich (Editor)/ Paperback/Date Published: August 1998.

Crime an the Ri Pat O'Malley (Editor)/ Hardcover/ Date Published: June 1998

Justice Administrat : olice. <u>Cou</u> and <u>Corrections MaDagement</u> Kenneth J. Peak / Hardcover/ Date Published: June 1998

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Ted Wachtel / Hardcover/ Date Published: April 1998

In Richard Scherpenseel ! Paperback / Date Published: January 199

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Ju C, Doll A Review of Management Controls at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Lawrence F. Alwin / Paperback! Date Published: January 1994