

CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE & NUMBER: CJ 424: CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

SEMESTER: 2002 Fall Day semester.

DAY/HOUR: Tuesdays, Thursdays 9:30-10:50 a.m.

INSTRUCTOR: Collin K. C. Lau, J. D.

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OFFICE HOURS: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 7:30-9:00 a.m.,
Tuesdays, Thursdays 11 a.m. to noon or by appointment. My office is in room 110 of the Behavioral Science building and is always open to students to discuss the class, your degree plans or anything else of import to the student.

BIOGRAPHY: Mr. Lau is an Lecturer in the Criminology and Criminal Justice department at Chaminade University. He received a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Hawaii and a Juris Doctorate from the Richardson School of Law. Mr. Lau has worked as a law clerk for the Hawaii Supreme Court, a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, a Deputy Corporation Counsel and in the private practice of law. Mr. Lau also worked two terms as an Independent Counsel to the Oahu Grand Jury.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS: The pre-trial and trial rights of the criminal defendant and society, including discussions of the law of arrest, search and seizure, confessions, identification procedures, self-incrimination and right of counsel.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: Upon completion of the course, the student will have been exposed to an overview and breath of constitutional protection that apply to criminal defendants in this country. Specifically, the student will become familiar with:

- > the background and history of the United States Constitution,
- > the various amendments that make up the Bill of Rights,
- > the import and impact of politics on judicial decision making,
- > the various stages of a criminal justice case and
- > legal concepts relevant to criminal cases such as probable cause.

REQUIRED Samaha, Joel, *Criminal Procedure*, (5th edition, 2002).

TEXTBOOKS:

RECOMMENDED BOOK: Any affordable law dictionary. As an alternative, you may download a basic law dictionary (about 50 pages) from the website "jurist.law.pitt.edu" or access searchable law dictionaries at websites like: "Findlaw, Nolo.com or Lectlaw.com".

ATTENDANCE and PARTICIPATION: Class participation is an expected and essential requirement of the course. A student's participation in each session is considered important to the learning process. Missing a session is not an excuse for not being prepared for the next session. A student's absence from or late arrivals to a session will impact the student's grade. In general, there is no make-up procedure for missed examinations or assignments. Students who have advanced knowledge that they will miss an session or deadline should contact the

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instructor to make arrangements to complete the required assignments. The decision to allow a make-up assignment under these circumstances rests with the instructor and will be made on a case-by-case basis. assignment deadline, s/he must contact the instructor within 24 hours. A message may be left by the student on voice or e-mail at any time. A student who misses an session or deadline and is allowed by the instructor to take do a make-up must be prepared to take it immediately (usually within 48 hours).

READING ASSIGNMENTS: All reading assignments must be completed prior to class or the student will not be prepared to participate meaningfully in class discussions. Classes are prepared on the assumption and expectation that the student has read the assigned materials and completed any required assignments. Cases will be pre-assigned to students for discussion in future classes. Failure to read and prepare for assigned cases will result in a deduction of points (10 points per case) from a student's semester point total.

WRITING ASSIGNMENTS: All formal writing assignments must seek to adhere to the writing standards that are stated in the Chaminade General Catalog for 2002-2003 on pages 50-1.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS: Students are expected to comply with the standards related to attendance that are outline on page 50 of Chaminade General Catalog for 2002-2003.

COURSE EVALUATIONS: Final grades are based on the following factors:

FIRST MID-TERM EXAM.....	100 Points
SECOND MID-TERM EXAM	100 Points
FINAL EXAM.....	100 Points
CLASS PARTICIPATION.....	100 Points.

Exams are typically given after four textbook chapters are completed.

<u>GRADING:</u>	A = 90% of the possible 400 total points (360+)
	B = 80% of the possible 400 total points (320+)
	C = 70% of the possible 400 total points (280+)
	D = 60% of the possible 400 total points (240+)
	F = less than 60% of the possible points (<240)

DISCLAIMER: The instructor reserves the right to make slight modifications to this syllabus if and only if the circumstances warrant or require it. Any modifications will be made known to the student.

END OF SYLLABUS.