Carleton University

Department of Law

Course Outline

Course: LAWS 4304 A – Policing and social Surveillance

TERM: Fall 2010

PREREQUISITES: Fourth year honours standing and one of LAWS 2301, LAWS 2302

CLASS: Day & Time: Friday: 8:35-11:25 am

Room: Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

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DESCRIPTION

This course examines the emergence and modern organization of 'policing' through an examination of legislation, common law and transformations in social relations. Special attention is paid to the private sector and students are encouraged to expand their notions of policing to include the myriad agencies involved in contemporary security provision. In particular, how changes in security provision relate to surveillance, human rights, and the role and function of the state.

EVALUATION

Participation is a key requirement of seminar courses. We will set aside time for class discussion about course materials including films. Students are also required to complete a take-home examination and a term paper. The term paper is dependent on the course materials and in particular theories of policing.

Attendance & Participation: 20%

In-class exam (Open book): 30%

ON: October 29th

Essay: 50%

Due: December 3rd or earlier

^{***}Students must complete all course requirements in order to receive a passing grade

COURSE TEXTS

Mandatory: Rigakos, George S., John L. McMullan, Joshua Johnson and Gulden Ozcan, Eds., *A General*

Police System: Political Economy and Security in the Age of Enlightenment. Ottawa: Red

Quill Books.

[Available at: Octopus Books: 116 Third Ave., Ottawa Ont., 613-233-2589 or on-line through

www.redquillbooks.com]

All additional articles and course materials available on WebCT.

Suggested: Cooley, Dennis, ed. 2005. *Re-imagining Policing in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

Rigakos, George S. 2002. The New Parapolice: Risk Markets and Commodified Social Control.

Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

ESSAY

More information about producing a final paper is posted on WebCT. The purpose of the paper is to apply and relate course materials and theories to an existing policing and surveillance site or issue. For example, you may engage in natural observation of an airport, mall, nightclub, etc. or you may decide to do a 'ride-along' with police or security.

Students who wish to write another type of essay should consult with the professor early in the course. All students must have their topics approved by the professor.

Length: 12 pages

Citation style: In-text with reference list

Citations: 12 peer-reviewed articles and/or academic books

COURSE READINGS AND CONTENT

1. (Sep. 10th) Introduction to the course.

2. (Sep. 17th) What is 'police?'

Knemeyer, F.-L. (1980). Polizei. Economy and Society, 9(2), 172-196.

Rigakos, George S. 2007. »Polizei konsumieren…« – Beobachtungen aus Kanada ('The commodification of policing: Field-notes from Canada'), in Volker Eick, Jens Sambale, Eric Töpfer, eds., *Kontrollierte Urbanität: Zur Neoliberalisierung städtischer Sicherheitspolitik*. Pp. 29-54 Bielefeld: transcript.

Film: (In)security: The New Age of Policing. CBC documentary

3. (Sep. 24th) The Police Idea I: Mercantilism and Cameralism

Introduction to *A General Police System*, pp. 1-32

von Justi, Johann H.G. 1756. *Grundsätze der Polizeywissenschaft*, pp. 92-93 and pp. 7-9 in *A General Police System*.

Sonnefels, Joseph von. 1765. *Grundsätze der Polizei, Handlung und Finanzwissenschaft,* pp. 104-138 and pp. 9-10 in *A General Police System.*

4. (Oct. 1st) The Police Idea II: Liberalism

McMullan, J. L. (1998). Social surveillance and the rise of the 'police machine'. *Theoretical Criminology*, 2(1), 93-117.

Smith, Adam. 1896. Lectures on Justice, Police, Revenue and Arms, pp. 152-163 and pp. 13-15 in **A General Police System**

Beccaria, Cesare. 1764. On Crimes and Punishments, pp. 166-187 and pp. 15-18 in **A General Police System.**

Suggested:

Von Humboldt, Wilhelm. 1792. *The Limits of State Action*, pp.189-220 and pp.18-19 in **A** *General Police System.*

Hegel, G.W.F. 1821. *Philosophy of Right*, pp.277-302 and pp. 25-26 in *A General Police System.*

5. (Oct. 8th) The 'New' Police

Emsley, Clive. 1991. *The English Police: A Political and Social history*, 2ed. New York: Harvester Wheatsheaf. (Chapter 2: The Coming of the Police)

Colquhoun, Patrick. orig. 1795. *Treatise on the Police of the Metropolis.*, pp. 261-276 and pp. 21-25 in *A General Police System.*

Fielding, Sir John A. 1775. *Plan for Preventing Robberies*, pp. 140-150 and pp. 11-13 in **A General Police System.**

6. (Oct. 15th) Policing and the Legal Context: Arrest and Search

Rigakos, George S. and David H. Greener. 2000. 'Bubbles of Governance: Private Policing and the Law in Canada' *Canadian Journal of Law and Society*, 15(1): 145-185.

Criminal Code sections 494-495

R v. Asante-Mensah (2003) 38 SCC; #9

Trespass to Property Act RSO 1990

7. (Oct. 22nd) Policing a Surveillance Society

Foucault, M. 1977. Ch. 3 Panopticism. In *Discipline and Punish* (A. Sheridan, Trans.). New York: Vintage Books.

Bentham, Jeremy. 1787. *The Panopticon Writings*, pp. 222-244 and pp. 19-20 in *A General Police System*.

- 8. (Oct. 29^h) IN-CLASS TEST on weeks 1-6 (No assigned readings)
- 9. (Nov. 5th) Policing a Risk Society

Rigakos, George S. 2008. Ch.6 "Getting Noticed" from: *Nightclub: Bouncers, Risk and the Spectacle of Consumption*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Ericson, R. and K. Haggerty. 1997. Policing as risk communications. In *Policing the Risk Society*. Pp. 17-38. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

10. (Nov. 12th) Policing New Urban Spaces

Eick, Volker. 2006. Preventive urban discipline: Rent-a-cops and neoliberal glocalization in Germany. *Social Justice*, 33(3):1-19.

Wilson, J. Q., & Kelling, G. L. (1982). Broken windows: The police and neighbourhood safety. *Atlantic Monthly*, March, 29-38.

11. (Nov. 19th) Policing Dissent – Guest Lecturer (Steve Worth)

12. (Nov. 26th) Critique of Security

Spitzer, S. 1987. Security and control in capitalist societies: The fetishism of security and the secret thereof. In J. Lowman & R. J. Menzies & T. S. Palys (Eds.), Transcarceration: Essays in the Sociology of Social Control (pp. 43-58). Aldershot: Gower.

Neocleous, Mark. 2007. Security, commodity, fetishism. Critique, 35(3): 339-355.

13. (Dec. 3rd) Papers due.