

Course Outline

CRCJ 1000-B FALL 2024

INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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CLASS:
Day & Time: Online, Asynchronous

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & AFFIRMATION

ANISHNABE

Ni manàdjiyànànig Màmìwinìnì Anishinàbeg, ogog kà nàgadawàbandadjig iyo akì eko weshkad. Ako nongom ega wikàd ki mìgiwewàdj.

Ni manàdjiyànànig kakina Anishinàbeg ondaje kaye ogog kakina eniyagizidjig enigokamigàg Kanadàng eji ondàpinangig endàwàdjìn Odàwàng.

Ninìsidawinawànànig kenawendamòdjig kije kikenindamàwin; weshkinìgidjig kaye kejeyàdizidjig. Nìgijewenimànànig ogog kà nìgànì sòngideyedjig; weshkad, nongom; kaye àyànìkàdj.

ENGLISH

We pay respect to the Algonquin people, who are the traditional guardians of this land. We acknowledge their longstanding relationship with this territory, which remains unceded.

We pay respect to all Indigenous people in this region, from all nations across Canada, who call Ottawa home.

We acknowledge the traditional knowledge keepers, both young and old.

And we honour their courageous leaders: past, present, future

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an overview of the field of criminology, including foundational approaches of criminology and criminal justice. During this course, we will also explore competing and complementary criminological theories, raising questions around, and competing understandings of, definitions of ‘crime’, the pursuit of crime control, approaches to (and critiques of) practices of criminal justice, as well as the interrogation of social and historical structures within which these approaches to crime, deviance and harm are presented. We will interrogate the socio-political, economic, and ideological influences that make analytical and prescriptive efforts to govern the criminal question possible. We will explore varying definitions of crime, disagreements on the extent or distribution of crime, deferring visions of social order, the causes of crime, and numerous theories regarding the criminal justice system. Throughout the course, students are encouraged to develop the analytical skills needed to think about crime and criminology theoretically and from an interdisciplinary perspective.

→ Please see the detailed course schedule at the end of this syllabus

COURSE ORGANIZATION

- This course is offered fully on-line, asynchronous.
- A narrated PowerPoint Presentation (PPT) will be made available on Brightspace every **Wednesday by 4:00 PM**. Each PPT will correspond with the assigned readings for that day.
- For each class, students will be required to do the corresponding readings (see readings schedule below). In addition, students will be asked to watch documentaries and read relevant news stories (links included in the PPT or in Brightspace).
- Please see the **evaluation section** below for a complete breakdown of the various components of evaluation.
- Please note that quizzes, tests, and exams are based on both PPT content (lectures, including podcasts, documentaries, clips, and news stories), AND the textbook. Therefore, students are strongly encouraged to keep up with the readings and lectures each week.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK:

Criminology in Canada: Theories, Patterns, and Typologies (8th edition) by Larry J. Seigel and Chris McCormick.

You can purchase the textbook at the Carleton University Bookstore.

EVALUATION

Students are responsible for all course material, including assigned textbook chapters, other readings, PowerPoint lectures, including any news articles, film or other media clips, as well as podcasts and documentaries.

WEEKLY QUIZZES (20%)

There will be 4 on-line multiple-choice quizzes, each worth 5% for a total of 20%. Each **Wednesday** at **5:00PM**, a quiz will be made available. You will have until the next **Monday at 11:59PM** to complete it (**exception:** the last quiz closes that Friday; please see class schedule in this syllabus). Once you start a quiz, you will have **20 minutes** to complete it (accommodations will be made for students registered with PMC to receive more time).

TEST #1 (20%)

Opens Monday, September 30 at 10:00AM and closes Wednesday, October 2 at 11:59PM. The test will cover course work since the beginning of the semester (including textbook, lectures, podcasts, videos, news articles, etc.). Students will be required to use their own words, write in full sentences, and provide specific details and explanations. The test will consist of 5-7 (approx.) medium- long answer questions. More specific details will be provided the week before the test.

TEST #2 (20%)

Opens on Monday, November 11 at 10:00AM and closes Wednesday, November 13 at 11:59PM. All material covered since the first test (including textbook, lectures, podcasts, videos, news articles, etc.). Students will be required to use their own words, write in full sentences, and provide specific details and explanations. The test will consist of 5-7 (approx.) medium- long answer questions. More specific details will be provided the week before the test.

NOTE: Students who miss a test due to illness, or other circumstances beyond their control are required to contact the professor as soon as possible. Please note that no accommodations will be made for students who miss an exam due to work or travel plans.

SHORT PAPER (10%)

Due on Wednesday, November 27 by 11:59PM. Instructions will be provided during the first week of the course. Students are encouraged to start thinking and working on it right away.

FINAL EXAM (30%)

The final exam will take place on-line, during the final exam period, scheduled by the university, and will consist of multiple-choice questions. The exam is cumulative, meaning that students are responsible for all the material covered during the course.

The final exam period for fall courses will be December 9 – 21, 2024. Please make sure that you do not make work or travel plans that will prohibit you being able to write the final exam. As well, make sure you will have reliable internet during the exam time.

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Dean.

PLAGIARISM

The University Academic Integrity Policy defines plagiarism as “*presenting, whether intentionally or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.*” This includes reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else’s published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one’s own without proper citation or reference to the original source. Examples of sources from which the ideas, expressions of ideas or works of others may be drawn from include but are not limited to: books, articles, papers, literary compositions and phrases, performance compositions, chemical compounds, artworks, laboratory reports, research results, calculations and the results of calculations, diagrams, constructions, computer reports, computer code/software, material on the internet and/or conversations.

Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to:

- any submission prepared in whole or in part, by someone else, including the unauthorized use of generative AI tools (e.g., ChatGPT);
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, paraphrased material, algorithms, formulae, scientific or mathematical concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- using another’s data or research findings without appropriate acknowledgement;
- submitting a computer program developed in whole or in part by someone else, with or without modifications, as one’s own; and

- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another's work and/or failing to use quotations marks.

Plagiarism is a serious offence that cannot be resolved directly by the course's instructor. The Associate Dean of the Faculty conducts a rigorous investigation, including an interview with the student, when an instructor suspects a piece of work has been plagiarized. Penalties are not trivial. They can include a final grade of "F" for the course.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Classroom teaching and learning activities, including lectures, discussions, presentations, etc., by both instructors and students, are copy protected and remain the intellectual property of their respective author(s). All course materials, including PowerPoint presentations, outlines, and other materials, are also protected by copyright and remain the intellectual property of their respective author(s).

Students registered in the course may take notes and make copies of course materials for their own educational use only. Students are not permitted to reproduce or distribute lecture notes and course materials publicly for commercial or non-commercial purposes without express written consent from the copyright holder(s).

STATEMENT ON STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH

As a University student, you may experience a range of mental health challenges that significantly impact your academic success and overall well-being. If you need help, please speak to someone. There are numerous resources available both on- and off-campus to support you. Here is a link to information about all of the resources, both on campus and off, that you may find helpful: <https://carleton.ca/wellness/>

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. For an accommodation request the processes can be found at the below link: <https://students.carleton.ca/course-outline/>

In accordance with the Carleton University Undergraduate Calendar Regulations, the letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

A+ = 90-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D+ = 57-59
A = 85-89	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	D = 53-56
A - = 80-84	B - = 70-72	C - = 60-62	D - = 50-52
F = Below 50	WDN = Withdrawn from the course	DEF = Deferred	

COURSE SCHEDULE

DATES		Readings to be done BEFORE class
Week 1: Wednesday, September 4	Introduction to course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 1: Crime and criminology
Week 2: Wednesday, September 11		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 3: The nature and extent of crime • Quiz #1 (Covers weeks 1 & 2) – This quiz will open on Wednesday, September 11 at 5:00PM and close on Monday, September 16 at 11:59PM.

Week 3: Wednesday, September 18		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 4: Victims and victimization
Week 4: Wednesday, September 25		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 5: Choice Theory • Quiz #2 (Covers weeks 3 & 4). Quiz will open on Wednesday, September 25 at 5:00PM and close on Monday, September 30 at 11:59PM
WEEK 5: Test #1 (20%)	<p>Opens: Monday, Sept. 30 at 10:00 AM</p> <p>Closes: Wednesday, Oct. 2nd at 11:59PM.</p>	<p>The test will be available on Brightspace. All questions will require medium to long answers.</p> <p>Please note that you have only ONE chance to write the exam, meaning once you open the test, you must complete it. Once you open the test, you will have two hours to complete it (PMC registered students, your time will be adjusted accordingly).</p> <p>More detailed information on the test (such as number of questions) will be provided before the test opens.</p> <p>There will not be a lecture on Wednesday, October 2nd, since the test is open.</p>
Week 6: Wednesday, October 9		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 6: Trait Theories
Week 7: Wednesday, October 16		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 7: Social structure theories • Quiz #3 (Covers weeks 6 & 7. This quiz opens Wednesday, October 16 at 5:00PM and closes Monday October 28 at 11:59PM (longer availability due to the fall break).
Week 8: FALL BREAK		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No class
Week 9: Wednesday, October 30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 8: Social process theories

<p>Week 10: Wednesday, November 6</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 9: Social conflict theory • Quiz #4 (Covers weeks 9 & 10). This quiz opens Wednesday, November 6 at 5:00PM and closes Monday November 11 at 11:59PM
<p>Week 11: Test #2 (20%)</p>	<p>Opens: Monday, November 11 at 10:00 AM</p> <p>Closes: Wednesday, November 13 at 11:59PM.</p>	<p>The test will be available on Brightspace. All questions will require medium to long answers.</p> <p>Please note that you have only ONE chance to write the exam, meaning once you open the test, you must complete it. Once you open the test, you will have two hours to complete it (PMC registered students, your time will be adjusted accordingly).</p> <p>More detailed information on the test (such as number of questions) will be provided before the test opens.</p> <p>There will not be a lecture on Wednesday, November 13 since the test is open.</p>
<p>Week 12: Wednesday, November 20</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 10: Violent crime
<p>Week 13: Wednesday, November 27</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 12: Crimes of power: white-collar, corporate, green, and organized crime • Short paper due (10%) by 11:59PM.
<p>Week 14: Wednesday, December 4</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No class; students can use this time to study for the final exam. Students are encouraged to reach out to instructor and/or teaching assistants for help. • Please check Brightspace for information on the final exam (30%)