

Course Syllabus

Criminology - Course Syllabus



Description:

Why do people commit crimes? In this course, students are introduced to the basic concepts of the study of criminal behavior. Students will learn about the different types of crime and theories as to why people commit them. Whether you plan on pursuing a career in law, law enforcement, psychology, or crime scene investigation, or just want to explore why some people behave the way they do, this course will provide a fascinating look at this growing field of study.

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Course objectives:

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Define criminology and list the major classifications of criminal offenses.
- Identify some important criminology figures and explain how they influenced the field.
- Describe some careers in criminal justice and explain how criminological theories assist them in the workplace.
- Differentiate between major schools of criminology and describe how each one explains crime and sources of crime.

Contents:

1: Introduction to Criminology	6: Social Structure
2: Classical School	7: Social Process
3: Positivist School	8: Social Strain
4: Neoclassical School	9: How Crime Affects Society
5: Biological & Psychological Theories	10: The Justice System

Grading Scale

A = 90-100%
B = 80-89%
C = 70-79%
D = 60-69%
F = under 59%

Grade Weighting

Quizzes..... 35%
Written Assignments..... 35%
Final Exam..... 30%
100%