

Sociology 3371: Sociology of the Criminal Justice System

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

SOCL 3371 Sociology of the Criminal Justice System (3)

Prereq.: SOCL 2001 or equivalent. This course focuses on the criminal justice system and its organizational components for advanced undergraduate students, junior-and senior-level. This course constitutes the advanced portion of an undergraduate program leading to the bachelor's

REQUIRED TEXTS

Rennison, Callie Marie, and Mary Dodge. 2018. *Introduction to Criminal Justice: Systems, Processes, and Careers*. 2nd Edition. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. (This text has an accompanying student resource website that you may find helpful- <https://edge.sagepub.com/rennison2e>)

COURSE WEBSITE

revoke the use of laptops and other electronic devices in class if I feel they are being misused or distracting for other students and/or myself.

EXAMS

Your course grade will be based on three (3) exams made up of any combination of answer types including but not limited to multiple choice, matching, true/false, fill in the blank, and short answer questions drawn from lecture, videos, readings and any other material presented in class or assigned (basically, everything is fair game). The exams will be taken in class and are worth 75% of your final grade. The first two exams will be held during regular class time. The final exam is scheduled for a date and time specified by the Office of the University Registrar. All exams will be held in our regular classroom, unless otherwise notified.

A #2 pencil, small scantron, and photo ID are required for each exam.

Tardiness is inexcusable on exam days. Students are required to be ON TIME. **No new exams will be administered after the first student has completed his/her exam and has left the classroom.** If you do arrive late, you will have to take a make-up essay exam or oral exam.

DO NOT MISS EXAMS. All make-up exams will be administered at my discretion and at a time and place of my choosing. If you also miss the scheduled make-up exam, you **will receive a zero** for your exam grade.

YOU MUST TAKE YOUR FINAL WITH YOUR CLASS SECTION AND ON THE DATE/TIME POSTED BY THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE. IF YOU MISS YOUR FINAL EXAM, YOU MUST NOTIFY ME IMMEDIATELY. I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DENY YOU A MAKE-UP EXAM. IF I DO ALLOW YOU A MAKE-UP FINAL EXAM, 20% WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM YOUR EXAM AND I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ADMINISTER YOUR MAKE-UP EXAM IN ESSAY OR VERBAL FORMAT.

Your final grade will be calculated as follows:

Grading Scale:

100 – 97 = A+; 96 – 93 = A; 92 – 90 = A-
89 – 97 = B+; 86 – 83 = B; 82 – 80 = B-
79 – 77 = C+; 76 – 73 = C; 72 – 70 = C-
69 – 67 = D+; 66 – 63 = D; 62 – 60 = D-
59 – 0 = F

3 Exams- 25% each = 75%
Assignments/Quizzes = 25%
Total 100%

**** NO ADDITIONAL GRADED WORK WILL BE ALLOWED OR ASSIGNED TO HELP BRING UP YOUR GRADE IN THIS COURSE. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO RECOGNIZE WHAT GRADE YOU NEED/WANT IN THIS COURSE AND WORK TO ACHIEVE THAT GRADE THROUGHOUT THE SEMESTER. I WILL NOT ENTERTAIN REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL WORK, ESPECIALLY AT THE END OF THE SEMESTER. DO NOT ASK. I WILL NOT ANSWER YOUR EMAILS FOR SUCH REQUESTS. ****

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

All Louisiana State University students are responsible for observing the highest standards of academic and personal integrity. **The penalties for academic misconduct are severe and ignorance is not an acceptable excuse.** “ ‘Academic Misconduct’ shall mean cheating,