



School of Behavioral and Social Science

Phoenix – Winter 2009

November 9, 2009 – February 13, 2010

Wayland Baptist University exists to educate students in an academically challenging, learning-focused and distinctively Christian environment for professional success, lifelong learning, and service to God and humankind.

JUAD 3310- Criminology (SOC 3310)

Term: Winter 2009

Instructor: Dave Wilson

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Office Hours: 0800-1600, Monday thru Thursday, Phoenix Campus

Class Time and Location: Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. to 9:40 p.m. Central Park Forest

Catalog Description: Theories, causes, characteristics, types of crime and social functions of crime in our society.

There is no prerequisite for this course

Textbook: Criminology Today: An Integrative Introduction, 5th Edition, ISBN: 013513031-X

Optional Materials: Any additional materials will be provided.

Course outcome competencies: At the conclusion of this course the student will be able to demonstrate an understanding of the key components of Criminology:

- criminology as a scientific study;
- the measurement tools and methods employed to quantify and qualify criminal behavior patterns;
- the historical schools of determinism;
- criminal behaviors as posited psychologically, biologically, and other forces of human nature;
- subcultures of America;
- various typologies of crime;
- the nature of comparative criminology.

Attendance: Students enrolled at one of the University's external campuses should make every effort to attend all class meetings. All absences must be explained to the instructor, who will then determine whether the omitted work may be made up. When a student reaches that number of absences considered by the instructor to be excessive, the instructor will so advise the student and file an unsatisfactory progress report with the campus dean. Any student who misses 25 percent or more of the regularly scheduled class meetings may receive a

grade of F in the course. Additional attendance policies for each course, as defined by the instructor in the course syllabus, are considered a part of the University's attendance policy.

Additional attendance policies: Absences may carry additional assignments.

Service for the Disabled: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), it is the policy of Wayland Baptist University that no otherwise qualified person with a disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any educational program or activity in the university. The Coordinator of Counseling Services serves as the coordinator of students with a disability and should be contacted concerning accommodation requests at (806) 291- 3765. Documentation of a disability must accompany any request for accommodations.

Course requirements: The course will consist of reading the text, classroom discussions, use of blackboard and discussion board, a reaction paper to a news event, a multiple choice mid-term and final exam, and a term paper.

Method of determining course grade:

Assignment	Points
Review (reaction) to one news article (one page)	5
Crime Analysis Paper	10
Mid-Term Exam	25
Prepare a 4 to 6 page paper on an assigned topic.	20
Attendance and participation (and discussion board)	15
Final Exam	25

The University has a standard grade scale:

A = 90-100, B = 80-89, C = 70-79, D = 60-69, F= below 60, W = Withdrawal, WP = withdrew passing, WF = withdrew failing, I = incomplete. An incomplete may be given within the last two weeks of a long term or within the last two days of a microterm to a student who is passing, but has not completed a term paper, examination, or other required work for reasons beyond the student's control. A grade of "incomplete" is changed if the work required is completed prior to the last day of the next long (10 to 15 weeks) term, unless the instructor designates an earlier date for completion. If the work is not completed by the appropriate date, the I is converted to an F.

Instructor's policy on Academic Dishonesty: Intellectual integrity and truthfulness are fundamental to scholarship. Plagiarism is a form of cheating. Plagiarism occurs when a student fails to give proper credit when information is either quoted or paraphrased or when a student takes credit for another person's work. Plagiarism may result in an "F" in the course or expulsion from the class or the university.

Tentative Schedule:

Class Session	Subject
November 11, 2009	Introduction & Chapter 1.
November 18, 2009	Chapters 2 & 3.
November 25, 2009	Chapters 4 & 5.
December 2, 2009	Chapters 6 & 7. Reaction. Paper Due.
December 9, 2009	Chapter 8.
December 16, 2009	Mid-Term & Movie.
December 23, 2009	Christmas Break, No Class
December 30, 2009	Christmas Break, No Class
January 6, 2010	Chapters 9 & 10. Crime Paper due.

January 13, 2010	Chapters 11 & 12. Term Paper preparation.
January 20, 2010	Chapters 13 & 14.
January 27, 2010	Chapters 15 & 16. Term Paper due.
February 10, 2010	Final Exam.

Additional Information: This syllabus is not a contract. It can be changed or altered at any time by the instructor. Instructor will notify students of any changes.