Course Website  http:prcarrjr.pageout.net

Course Description

A survey of the historical and philosophical developments of the criminal justice system. Course covers description, analysis and evaluation of the components of the system: police, courts and corrections. We will look at how the system works, the relationship between theory and practice, and individual rights in a democratic society.

Course Objectives

1. To provide an understanding of the nature of crime in the U.S.
2. To provide knowledge and understanding of the structure, processes and goals of the criminal justice system.
3. To provide an understanding of the relationship between the agencies which make up the criminal justice system.

Text
Inciardi: *Criminal Justice (Required, 8th edition recommended, older editions OK, but pages may not match those in handouts and assignments, so be sure to double check reading assignments)
Inciardi: Criminal Justice Student Study Guide (strongly recommended)
Champion: American Dictionary of Criminal Justice (strongly recommended for JS majors)

Method of Instruction Lectures, guest speakers, video presentations, field observation and class discussion.

Evaluation You are able to keep track of your grades in JS10 using the grade book on the course website. Scores are normally updated immediately after assignments are graded.

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Total Points Available 400 points

A = 400 -360, B = 359 - 320, C = 319 - 280, D = 279 - 240, F = 239 or below

You must complete all your assignments on time. Late papers will not be accepted. Consideration for missed assignments and/or exams will only be given in the event of a verifiable medical emergency.
Website Registration

Students will be required to register on the course website in order to take the course quizzes, keep track of their grades and receive updates concerning course discussion topics. Registration can be completed at http://prcarrjr.pageout.net. If you have limited computer access or difficulty registering on the website please contact me as soon as possible.

Introduction paper

Each student will complete a two page type written introduction paper discussing the police/society relationship that most interests you and your future goals in the justice system. The introduction paper must be completed prior to any further assignments being accepted. Papers turned in after the due date will receive a score of zero, but are still required to be submitted. Your introduction paper must include a one to two line written statement that you have reviewed and understand the academic integrity policy of the university.

Exams may include multiple choice, T-F, fill-in, and essay questions. Exams will cover material from text, lectures, guest speakers, handouts, and video presentations.

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Field Observations and write-up must be done according to format provided. Go to my website to see guidelines and sample write-ups. Your write-up must be typed, double-spaced, and well written. Grammar, punctuation, and spelling count – please proofread before you submit. Your write up should be 4-6 pages long, and based on a 4-6 hour court or ride-along observation. Turn in your write-up as soon as possible after completing your field observation, but no later than:

Police Ride Along/ Court Observations Write-Up Due   Monday, April 30

Video Questions. Several videos or portions of videos will be shown during the semester to emphasize key points or concepts. Video review questions will be handed out at the end of the class session during five of the video presentations. The review questions must be completed and returned during the next class session. Each video review will be worth 10 points.

Online Quizzes
Five online quizzes will be provided during the semester. Quizzes must be completed during the allotted time period and dates. Quizzes will become active online one week prior to the due date and students will have one hour to complete each quiz. Once completed, quizzes can be printed and used as study guides for exams.

Course Add/Drop Statement
Instructors are permitted to drop students who fail to attend the first scheduled class meeting and who fail to inform the instructor prior to the second class meeting of the reason for any absence and their intention to continue in the class. Some instructors will drop students who do not meet the stated course prerequisites. However, instructors are not required to drop a student from their course. It is the student’s responsibility to make sure classes are dropped. You, the student, are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drops, academic renewal, withdrawal, etc. found at:
http://sa.sjsu.edu/student_conduct
Academic Integrity Statement

Academic integrity is essential to the mission of San José State University. As such, students are expected to perform their own work (except when collaboration is expressly permitted by the course instructor) without the use of any outside resources. Students are not permitted to use old tests, quizzes when preparing for exams, nor may they consult with students who have already taken the exam. When practiced, academic integrity ensures that all students are fairly graded. Violations to the Academic Integrity Policy undermine the educational process and will not be tolerated. It also demonstrates a lack of respect for oneself, fellow students and the course instructor and can ruin the university’s reputation and the value of the degrees it offers. We all share the obligation to maintain an environment which practices academic integrity. Violators of the Academic Integrity Policy will be subject to failing this course and being reported to the Office of Student Conduct & Ethical Development for disciplinary action which could result in suspension or expulsion from San José State University. The policy on academic integrity can be found at: http://sa.sjsu.edu/student_conduct

To better understand plagiarism and to aid you in making sure that you are not plagiarizing, please see me and/or visit: http://tutorials.sjlibrary.org/plagiarism/index.htm

American with Disabilities Act: If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. Presidential Directive 97-03 requires students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with DRC to establish a record of their disability.

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Class Schedule

Read the chapters listed and be prepared to discuss in class on the dates indicated. Please note: Every attempt will be made to adhere to the below listed schedule although it is subject to change with fair notice.

Introduction
From January 24, 2007 To January 24, 2007

Foundation of Crime and Justice - Part One
From January 29, 2007 To February 21, 2007

Chapter 1
From January 29, 2007 To January 29, 2007

Chapter 2
From January 31, 2007 To February 05, 2007

Introduction Paper Due
From February 05, 2007 To February 05, 2007

Chapter 3
From February 07, 2007 To February 07, 2007
Chapter 4
From February 12, 2007 To February 12, 2007

Chapter 5
From February 14, 2007 To February 14, 2007

Open
From February 19, 2007 To February 19, 2007

Part 1 Exam - The Justice System
From February 21, 2007 To February 21, 2007

The Police - Part 2
From February 26, 2007 To March 14, 2007

Chapter 6
From February 26, 2007 To February 26, 2006

Chapter 7
From February 28, 2007 To March 05, 2007

Open
From March 07, 2007 To March 07, 2007

Chapter 8
From March 12, 2007 To March 14, 2007

Part 2 Exam - The Police
From March 19, 2007 To March 19, 2007

The Courts - Part 3
From March 21, 2007 To April 18, 2007

Chapter 10
From March 21, 2007 To March 21, 2007

Spring Break NO CLASS
From March 26, 2007 To March 30, 2007

Chapter 11
From April 02, 2007 To April 04, 2007

Chapter 12 - page 368-386 only
From April 09, 2007 To April 09, 2007

Chapter 13
From April 16, 2007 To April 16, 2007

Open
From April 18, 2007 To April 18, 2007

Part 3 Exam - The Courts
From April 23, 2007 To April 23, 2007
Corrections Part Four
From April 25, 2007 To May 14, 2007

Chapter 14
From April 25, 2007 To April 25, 2007

Chapter 15
From April 30, 2007 To May 02, 2007

Ride along and Court observation papers DUE
From April 30, 2007 To April 30, 2007

OPEN
From May 07, 2007 To May 07, 2007

Chapter 17
From May 09, 2007 To May 09, 2007

Final Exam Review
From May 14, 2007 To May 14, 2007

Final Exam
From May 21, 2007 To May 21, 2007

Dates to remember:  
Introduction Paper Due Monday, February 5th
Exam I (The Justice System) Wednesday, February 21st
Exam II (The Police) Monday March 19th
Exam III (The Court System) Wednesday April 23rd
Exam IV (The Correctional System) Monday, May 21st 7:15 - 9:30
Field Observation Writes Ups Due Monday April 30th