JS 102 Police and Society
MH Rm. 520 Thursday 5:30 to 8:15 PM

Course Description

A study of law enforcement development and procedures from the 1800’s to present day policing. Emphasis on the police/community relationship and the evolution of current models and practices.

Textbook Required:


Recommended:


Website Registration

Students will be required to register at two online sites to take the course quizzes and to submit an electronic version of their essay. Registration can be completed at http://prcarrjr.pageout.net and at http://www.turnitin.com for essay submission (course 2771143 and the password pcarrsjsu)

Requirements
1. A two page introduction paper & register at pageout.com (25 points)
2. Research essay (50 points)
3. Chapter and Video quizzes (100 points)
4. One classroom presentation (25 points)
5. Mid-term exam (75 points)
6. Five Online Discussion Group Topics (50 points)
7. Final Exam (75 points)

Total ………. 400 points

Student Evaluations
A= 400-360  B= 359-320  C= 319- 280  D= 279 - 240  F= 239 - 0
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.

Academic Integrity

Students will be required to adhere to all university policies and procedures regarding academic integrity. All work presented during the course is expected to be an original work by the student and not previously submitted in any other course. The academic integrity policy can be reviewed on line at http://www.sa.sjsu.edu/download/judicial_affairs/Academic_Integrity_Policy_S07-2.pdf. Violations of this policy will be submitted to the Judicial Review Committee.

Essay Topic

Essays will compare and contrast two similar subject areas of two major commission studies on policing IE: The Wickersham Commission (1933) The Crime Commission (1969 - AKA Challenge of Crime in a Free Society), The Christopher Commission (1991) Training the 21st Century Police Officer Rand Corporation Study (2004) or any other major commission study on policing with instructor approval. Essays will identify the topic area (IE Police/Juvenile relations, Police Training, Use of Force etc.) and provide a review of the conclusions from each study comparing and contrasting the issues involved. In addition to the two studies each essay will contain a minimum of two scholarly references directly related to the issue being discussed.

Essays will be a minimum of 6 typewritten double spaced pages with normal fonts and margins. A hard copy of your paper must be turned in by the beginning of class on the due date. An electronic version must also be submitted to turnitin.com. Papers will be graded on relevance, organization, completeness and reference notation. Each paper will include a minimum of two scholarly references (in addition to the two commission studies) in the APA format. Grammar and spelling will account for 20% of each paper. Students expecting an A level paper will go beyond the required minimums. The course website provides a rubric concerning how your paper will be evaluated. Late papers will not be accepted except in the case of a verifiable medical emergency. A hard copy of the essay must be turned in during class on the due date.
Individual Presentation

Each student will make one presentation providing an overview of a cultural, ethnic or religious celebration, practice or ritual that would further your understanding of a diverse community. A 5 minute oral presentation with visual aids will be given in class for the instructor and other students. Visual aids must be visible to all students seated in the classroom. Student will sign up for presentation dates and must be ready to give their presentations on the selected date. A one page outline of your presentation is to be provided for the instructor at the time of your presentation. The course website has an online rubric regarding the evaluation of your presentation. If you plan on using a powerpoint presentation as your visual aid it must be emailed to the instructor a minimum of one week prior to your presentation.

Exams

The Mid-term and Final exams will cover all material presented prior to the each exam including chapter reading assignments, lectures, videos and information provided by guest speakers. The final exam is not comprehensive and will cover only the listed chapters and material presented after the midterm exam. Test reviews will provide a general overview of the material covered in the exam in an online format. Your best study guides will be in class notes and chapter quizzes. Exams may be a combination of short answer, multiple choice and/or true/false questions. A scantron 882e and a number 2 pencil will be required to take each exam.

Quizzes

Online quizzes will be given during the course and assigned after the relevant material has been covered in class. You will have one week to complete the quiz once assigned. Additional information will be provided in class and on the course website. www.prcarrjr.pageout.net Online quizzes may also include material presented in videos shown during class.

Online Discussion Topics

Five online discussion topics concerning current affairs will be presented during the semester. Students will be required to respond to the topic at hand and participate in the discussion with others in the class.

Course Structure

Lecture, student presentations, guest speakers, films, discussion/debate
**Student Accommodation**

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you have emergency medical information to share with me, or if you need to make 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. Please insure that you inform me of all necessary accommodations at the beginning of the semester so that any logistical arrangements can be promptly addressed.

**Extra Credit**

Extra credit points are normally not provided for this course. On occasion a university or community program will present a unique learning opportunity for which attendance or participation will warrant extra credit points. If such an opportunity occurs, the entire class will be provided the information concerning the event and the number of points available at the instructor’s discretion. Extra credit points for individual students are not available. Students will be graded strictly on the points available during the semester.

**Class Schedule**

The schedule listed is a general overview of the dates and subjects to be covered during the semester. Every effort will be made to adhere to the listed schedule although the schedule is subject to change with fair notice.

Sessions:

- **Course Introduction and APA Review**
  From August 27, 2009 To August 27, 2009

- **Chapter 1 - Police in a Democracy**
  From September 03, 2009 To September 10, 2009

- **Last Day to Drop without a W**
  From September 03, 2009 To September 03, 2009

- **Chapter 2 History of Policing**
  From September 10, 2009 To September 17, 2009
Last Day to Add
From September 12, 2009 To September 12, 2009

Introduction Paper Due
From September 17, 2009 To September 17, 2009

Chapter 3 Community Policing
From September 24, 2009 To October 01, 2009

Chapter 6 Selection
From October 09, 2009 To October 15, 2009

Midterm Review
From October 15, 2009 To October 15, 2009

MIDTERM Scantron 882e required
From October 22, 2009 To October 22, 2009

Chapter 7 Patrol Operations
From October 29, 2009 To October 29, 2009

Chapter 8 Police Behavior
From November 05, 2009 To November 05, 2009

Essay Due in Class today
From November 05, 2009 To November 05, 2009

Chapter 8 Police Deviance
From November 12, 2009 To November 12, 2009

Chapter 9 Force and Coercion
From November 19, 2009 To November 19, 2009

Thanksgiving NO CLASS
From November 26, 2009 To November 26, 2009

Chapter 9 Use of Force
From December 03, 2009 To December 03, 2009

Final Exam Review Available On Line - Last Day for Oral Presentations
From December 03, 2009 To December 03, 2009

FINAL EXAM 6 PM to 8:45 PM Scantron 882e required
From December 10, 2009 To December 10, 2009