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AJ 10
INTRODUCTION TO ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Course Description

Survey of the historical and philosophical development of the criminal justice system. 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

James A. Inciardi: Criminal Justice (6th edition)
Inciardi: Student Study Guide for Criminal Justice

Method of Instruction

Lectures, guest speakers, video presentations, field observation and class debate/discussion.

Evaluation

Grades for AJ 10 will be determined as follows:

4 Examinations (18% each)	72%
Field Observation Write Up	18%
Class participation/Quizzes	10%

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

Make up exams will be essay style and should be made up as soon as possible after the exam. You may only make up one exam, and must arrange make-up prior to missing the scheduled exam.

Field Observations and write up must be done according to format provided. They must be typed, double spaced, and well written. Grammar, punctuation, and spelling count – please proof read before you submit!

Class Participation is encouraged and expected. You will be evaluated based upon your contributions to the class. In addition there will be at least four unannounced “pop quizzes” and class debates – plan to speak up! Come prepared!

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Class Schedule

Read the chapters listed and be prepared to discuss in class on the dates indicated. Please note: There will be at least one pop quiz for each unit. **Do yourself a favor – read thoroughly!**

The Justice System

Aug. 28	Introduction and Overview of class
Aug. 30	Ch. 1 “C.J. in America” & Ch. 2 “Crime and the Nature of Law”
Sept. 6	Chapter 3 “Legal and Behavioral Aspects of Crime”
Sept. 11	Movie: <i>Crime in the Suites</i> (Discussion: <i>White collar crime</i>)
Sept. 13	Chapter 4 “Criminal Statistics and the Extent of Crime”
Sept. 18	Chapter 5 “The Process of Justice: An Overview”
Sept. 20	Exam I: The Justice System

The Police

Sept. 25	Chapter 6 “History and Structure of Police Systems in U.S.”
Sept. 27	Chapter 7 “Enforcing the Law and Keeping the Peace... in the U.S.”
Oct. 2	Movie: <i>Cops Behind the Badge</i> (Discussion: <i>Police Corruption</i>)
Oct. 4	Guest Speaker
Oct. 9	Chapter 8 “Law of Arrest, Search and Seizure: The Police and the Constitution”
Oct. 11	Movie: <i>Law & Order with Peter Jennings</i> (Discussion: <i>Search & Seizure</i>)
Oct. 16	Guest Speaker
Oct. 18	Review for exam 2
Oct. 23	Exam II: The Police

The Courts

Oct. 25	Chapter 10 "History and Structure of the American Courts"
Oct. 30	Chapter 11 "The Courtroom Work Group"
Nov. 1	Guest speaker
Nov. 6	Chapter 12 "The Business of the Court..."
Nov. 8	Guest speaker
Nov. 13	Chapter 13 (p. 368-388) "Sentencing"
Nov. 15	Exam III: The Courts

Corrections

Nov. 20	Chapter 14 "The History of American Prisons"
Nov. 22	Chapter 15 "Penitentiaries, Prisons and other Correctional Institutions"
Nov. 27	Movie: <i>Crimes and Punishments</i> (Discussion: <i>What works in corrections?</i>)
Nov. 29	Chapter 17 "Probation, Parole and Community Based Corrections"
Dec. 4	Guest speaker
Dec. 6	Movie: <i>Convicts on The Street</i> (Discussion: <i>Does Parole Work?</i>)
Dec. 11	Review for final
Tuesday Dec. 19	Exam IV: Corrections 7:15 – 9:30 AM

Dates to remember: Exam I (The Justice System) Wed. Sept. 20
Exam II (The Police) Mon. Oct. 23
Exam III (The Court System) Wed. Nov. 15
Exam IV (The Correctional System) Tuesday, May 23 7:15 – 9:30

Exam IV is the final exam and will be comprehensive in regard to theories & philosophies regarding various aspects of the Justice System (reasons for criminal behavior, various approaches to correctional punishment, etc.)

Field Observation Write Ups:

You should turn in your write up as soon as possible after completing your field observation.

Police Ride Along Write Up Due Monday, Oct. 23
Court Observations Write Up Due Monday, Dec. 11

There will be three field trips this semester dates will be announced as soon as they are scheduled:

Tour of Police Department
Tour of Alcatraz
Tour of Santa Clara Co. Main Jail