# SOC 336 DEVIANT BEHAVIOR & SOCIAL CONTROL (3 units) Spring 2016

## Tu/Th 10:30 -11:45am Marine Science Building (MSB) 114

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#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course, we will explore the many different conceptions, perceptions and types of deviance. We will also examine the different mechanisms of controlling deviance from informal methods such as socialization and normalization, to more formal methods such as legislation, law enforcement, and incarceration. The class is divided into three sections. In the first section, "Defining Deviance and Theoretical Perceptions of Deviance," we will look at the different definitions of deviance, and criminological theories that define and explain deviance, why it occurs, and its causes. In the second section, "Criminalizing Deviance," we will explore different types of positive and negative deviance and the effects of criminalizing deviance. In the third and final section, "Normalizing and Controlling Deviance," we will examine the social control of deviance through normalization, socialization, and institutions.

#### STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the course students should be able to:

- Describe and evaluate different perspectives and ideologies of deviant behavior and social control measures.
- Understand theoretical approaches to criminology, deviance and social control.
- Recognize strengths and weaknesses in methods of social control.
- Illustrate and discuss through written examinations and assignments concepts of deviance and what roles social bias plays in the understanding and implementation of laws, policies, and social sanctions.
- Describe how deviance and conformity affect our societal framework.

#### **TEXTBOOKS**

- Adler, Patricia A. and Peter Adler. 2016. *Constructions of Deviance: Social Power, Context, and Interaction, 8<sup>th</sup> edition.*
- Chriss, James J. 2013. Social Control: An Introduction
- Additional readings will be posted on Laulima

### LAULIMA & INTERNET ACCESS

All students must have a University of Hawaii email account and regular access to the Internet. Your grade will depend on your timely submission of work. Problems with access or computer issues are not an excuse for not completing your work.

Each student is to have access and know how to use the Laulima site for assignments. For tutorials, please contact <a href="http://www.hawaii.edu/talent/laulima\_student.htm">http://www.hawaii.edu/talent/laulima\_student.htm</a>. For any problems with Laulima, you must contact Laulima immediately. This would include not being able to access the course site or being kicked out of the site or being kicked out of a quiz or exam (assuming your time is not up). Please do let me know if you are having problems with Laulima so I can assist as necessary but it is up to you to initiate contact with Laulima to resolve any technical issues. Contact me with issues such as not seeing a grade posted.

Please note, that there have been problems while trying to submit work on Laulima using a smart phone or tablet, or with specific Internet browsers. <u>Do not submit work using a smart phone or tablet</u>.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. Attendance (10%)
  Attendance is required and will be taken each class meeting.
- 2. Assignments (3 at 10% each)
  There will be 3 assignments during the semester. Due dates are listed in the course schedule. Assignment instructions will be posted on Laulima in the assignments folder.
  All assignments must be submitted in the assignment folder on Laulima. No late submissions are accepted without documented major extenuating circumstances.
- 3. Exams (2 at 15% each)

  Exams will consist of multiple choice, fill-in, and short answer essay questions that will measure your comprehension of the course readings and your ability to apply concepts discussed in class to the readings. Each exam will cover material from both lecture and course readings that are covered during each mid-term period.
- 4. Final Exam (30%)
  The final exam will cover all material presented throughout the semester. The exam will consist of multiple choice, fill-in, and short answer essay questions.

Notification of an extenuating conflict or absence with documentation from a relevant professional is required and a reasonable accommodation can be made for any missed exams and/or late assignments.

If you are unable to or late in submitting an assignment, or miss an exam, you must:

- 1) Talk with me at least 24 hours before the assignment/exam due date (email is acceptable). AND
- Have a viable reason (i.e. an emergency) for missing an assignment/exam deadline or turning assignment/paper in late.
   AND
- 3) Have a note from a doctor or relevant professional explaining the nature of your emergency.

Late assignments will be accepted and make up exams scheduled for students who meet the above three criteria. Those who do not meet the above three criteria will receive a score of 0 for the missed exam or assignment. Those who turn assignments in late and do not meet the above three criteria will be marked down 20%.

#### **GRADING**

|                             | Percentages | Total Points |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Attendance                  | 10%         | 30 points    |
| Assignments (3 at 10% each) | 30%         | 90 points    |
| Exams (2 at 15% each)       | 30%         | 90 points    |
| Final Exam                  | 30%         | 90 points    |
| Total                       | 100%        | 300 points   |

### **Grading Percentiles:**

| 96 - 100% | A+ | 83 - 85% | В  | 70 - 72% | C- | 59% and lower F |
|-----------|----|----------|----|----------|----|-----------------|
| 93 – 95%  | A  | 80 - 82% | B- | 66 - 69% | D+ |                 |
| 90 - 92%  | A- | 76 - 79% | C+ | 63 - 65% | D  |                 |
| 86 - 89%  | B+ | 73 - 75% | C  | 60 - 62% | D- |                 |

#### EXTRA CREDIT

Students will be given opportunities for extra credit should they choose to do so. Extra credit will be in the form of a 1-page paper analyzing a current social phenomenon utilizing sociological concepts relating to deviance and social control. Student's grades will not be negatively impacted should they choose not to participate in extra credit assignments. Extra credit may add up to 5 points to their final grade.

### ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is required of this course and will be taken each class meeting. Medical, legal, or personal reasons for absences with documentation will not count against the attendance portion of the grade. Notification of an extenuating circumstance with documentation is required and a reasonable accommodation can be made for any missed in-class group activities, exams, or assignments.

#### **CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE**

- Cell phones must be turned off or silenced during class, except with prior approval from the instructor. NO TEXTING DURING CLASS.
- Computers may be used for academic purposes only during class. Instructor reserves the right to revoke this privilege if computers become a significant distraction.
- Headphones, ear buds or other listening devices that are not medically required must not be used or worn in class, during lecture, or during exams.
- Class discussions may touch on a number of sensitive topics. While students are encouraged to share their views, please do so with respect for others in the class, and respond in a respectful manner. Interruptions of or insults directed at other students will not be tolerated.

#### **KOKUA**

Any student who feels s/he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability is invited to contact me privately. I would be happy to work with you, and the KOKUA Program (Office for Students with Disabilities) to ensure reasonable accommodations in my course. KOKUA can be reached at (808) 956-7511 or (808) 956-7612 (voice/text) in room 103 of the Queen Lili'uokalani Center for Student Services.

#### ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

Any form of cheating or plagiarism will not be tolerated. Plagiarism is a serious violation of the UH-Manoa Student Conduct Code. In it, plagiarism is defined as follows:

"The term 'plagiarism' includes, but is not limited to, the use, by paraphrase or direct quotation, of the published or unpublished work of another person without full and clear acknowledgement. It also includes the unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic materials."

University of Hawai'i, Manoa Student Conduct Code (2009), E7.208, Pages 4&5

Students who engage in any form of cheating or plagiarism will earn a zero for the assignment and/or exam. If a student engages in more than one instance of any form of cheating or plagiarism, they will earn a failing grade for the course. The instructor may possibly file a report with the university.

**COURSE SCHEDULE**\* Please note, class schedule may be subject to change depending on class need and progress.

| Week/Meeting Dates                 | Readings  | Topics/Assignments                                      |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| Section                            | 1: Defining Deviance & Theoretical P  | erspectives of Deviance                                 |
| Week 1<br>January 11 <sup>th</sup> | Adler & Adler, "General Introduction" (p. 1-9)  Adler & Adler, Part I: "Defining Deviance" (p. 11-15)  Adler & Adler, Chapter 1: On the Sociology of Deviance   | Class Intro Defining Deviance                           |
| Week 2<br>January 18 <sup>th</sup> | Adler & Adler, Part II: Theories of Deviance (p. 57-72)  Adler & Adler, Chapter 7: Social Structure and Anomie  Adler & Adler, Chapter 8: Differential Association  Adler & Adler, Chapter 9: Control Theory  Braithwaite, "Shaming Theory" [Laulima] | Positivist Theories                                     |
| Week 3<br>January 25 <sup>th</sup> | Adler & Adler, Chapter 3: Relativism: Labeling Theory  Adler & Adler, Chapter 5: Conflict Theory  Adler & Adler, Chapter 10: Feminist Theory  Adler & Adler, Chapter 11: The Constructionist Stance   | Constructionist Theories                                |
| Week 4 February 1 <sup>st</sup>    | Adler & Adler, Part III: Studying<br>Deviance (p. 109-113)<br>Adler & Adler, Chapter 12 & 14  | Studying Deviance  Assignment #1 Due: Friday by 11:55pm |

| Section 2: Criminalization of Deviance |   |   |  |  |
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| Week 5 February 8 <sup>th</sup>        | Adler & Adler, Part IV: Constructing Deviance (p. 149-157)  Adler & Adler, Chapter 15: The Social Construction of Drug Scares  Logan, E. (1999) "The Wrong Race, Committing Crime, Doing Drugs and Maladjustice for Motherhood"  [Laulima]                                | Constructing Deviance & Moral Panics                      |  |  |
| Week 6 February 15 <sup>th</sup>       | Adler & Adler, Chapter 17 & 18  Adler & Adler, Chapter 20 & 21  Irwin, K., "Saints and Sinners: Elite Tattoo Collectors and Tattooists as Positive and Negative Deviants"  [Laulima]  | Labeling and Resisting Labels                             |  |  |
| Week 7<br>February 22 <sup>nd</sup>    | Exam #1 Review  | Exam #1 – In Class<br>Thursday, February 25 <sup>th</sup> |  |  |
| Week 8 February 29 <sup>th</sup>       | Adler & Adler, Part V: Deviant Identity (p. 253-262)  Adler & Adler, Chapter 23-26  Adler & Adler, Chapter 27 -31   | Deviant Identity & Stigma Management                      |  |  |
| Week 9<br>March 7 <sup>th</sup>        | Adler & Adler, Part VI: The Social Organization of Deviance (p. 401-408)  Adler & Adler, Chapter 34, 35, & 37  Davis, M. "Chapter Five: The Hammer and the Rock" City of Quartz [Laulima]  Goffman – On The Run [Laulima]  Thio – "Part 9: Deviant Communities" [Laulima] | Social Organization of Deviance & Deviant Communities     |  |  |

| Week 10  | Adler & Adler, Part VII (p. 473-475)  | Structure of the Deviant Act:                          |  |
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| March 14 <sup>th</sup>                                     | Adler & Adler, Chapter 39, 41, 43, & 44                                     | Gender, Power, and Sexual Assault                      |  |
|  | Thio – "Part 7: Elite Deviance"   | Elite Deviance & White Collar Crime                    |  |
|  | [Laulima]   | Assignment #2 Due Friday by 11:55pm                    |  |
| Week 11<br>March 21 <sup>st</sup> – March 25 <sup>th</sup> | SPRING BREAK  | SPRING BREAK   |  |
| Week 12<br>March 28 <sup>th</sup>                          | Exam #2 Review  | Exam #2 – In Class<br>Thursday, March 31 <sup>st</sup> |  |
|  | Section 3: Normalizing and Controllin                                       | ng Deviance  |  |
| Week 13<br>April 4 <sup>th</sup>                           | Chriss – Chapter 1 & 2  | Deviant Careers & Defining Social<br>Control           |  |
|  | Adler & Adler, Part VIII (p. 545-548) Adler & Adler, Chapter 46 & 47        |  |  |
| Week 14<br>April 11 <sup>th</sup>                          | Chriss – Chapter 4 & 7  | Medical Social Control                                 |  |
| Week 15<br>April 18 <sup>th</sup>                          | Chriss – Chapter 3 & 6  | Informal Control                                       |  |
| Week 16<br>April 25 <sup>th</sup>                          | Chriss – Chapter 5 & 8  | Formal Social Control                                  |  |
| 71pm 25  |   | Assignment #3 Due Friday by 11:55pm                    |  |
| Week 17<br>May 2 <sup>nd</sup>                             | Chriss – Chapter 9 & 10   | Terrorism and the Future of Social<br>Control          |  |
| Last Day of Instruction:                                   | Thio – Article 28 "Conceptualizing the Criminological Problem of Terrorism" |  |  |

FINAL EXAM: TUESDAY, MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> 9:45AM – 11:45AM