Course Description:

"Crime is here to stay". Criminal behavior is defined by the society in which it resides. This course surveys the study of crime: history, nature, types, theories, patterns, statistics on crime, criminal law, the victim, punishment and crime prevention. The course emphasizes contemporary criminological research. Note: Do NOT take this course if you think that it will be like "CSI Miami". It is about "real" crime, "real" criminals, and theories of why crime evolves in society.

The social construct of what is criminal evolves from moral and ethical issues, social control and the law. Each component of the course, as described above contains an assignment, in class lectures, and/or discussions that will involve moral principles that affect the lives of professionals and clients who are in the criminal justice arena. Students will critically examine ethical dilemmas in criminology and gain competency in moral decision-making.

Student Learning Objectives: at the end of the semester, student will have knowledge of:

- an overview of criminology
- critical discussions of crime in the 21st century
- the present theories of criminal causation
- the techniques for measuring the characteristics of criminals
- how to define victims and the exploitation of victims
- ethics in criminal codes; the improper use of research
- the criminal justice system and ethics

Textbook:

Siegel, Larry, Criminology, (10th ed.) Thomson/Wadsworth. Used copies of book are available through the UH Bookstore at a reduced price. OR students may consider purchasing Ichapters of the text or the whole book online. Instructions regarding this method will be distributed the first day of class, and will also be posted on https://laulima.hawaii.edu. Students will have access to PPT lectures and information at the laulima site. For purchasing chapters or the full text go to http://uhmsoc.ichaptersbuy.com, Siegel, EBook: ISBN 10:049500572X, Echapters: ISBN 13:9780495005728.

Attendance:

Attendance is an expected and necessary requirement of this course. It is recognized that there are times when the student will not be able to attend class but any absence from class will impact the student's absorption and understanding of the subject matter. In the event that a student has advanced notice of a necessary absence, advise the instructor by email as soon as possible. In the event of an unforeseen and unavoidable absence, call the telephone number above and leave a voicemail message, or email Dr. Goldsborough (see email above). Missing class is not an excuse for not being prepared for the next
class or completing missed assignments. Students will lose one point for each unexcused absence. After five absences, excused or unexcused, student will lose two (2) percentage points for each absence. NO BEEPERS, NO PAGERS, NO PHONES IN CLASS. If your phone rings in class you are to leave for the rest of the day.

Assignments:
To gain the most from class lectures and discussions, reading assignments should be completed prior to class. Written assignments are to be typed, double-spaced and turned in as hard copy IN CLASS on the due date UNLESS STUDENTS ARE INSTRUCTED TO DEPOSIT ASSIGNMENTS AT THE COURSE ASSIGNMENT SITE IN LAULIMA. No emails to Dr G’s email. Points will be deducted for late assignments. Handwritten assignments will NOT be accepted and student will lose 4 points. Often the written assignments will be “in class” assignments, not announced beforehand, which is why class attendance is very crucial to keep that grade high.

ADA accommodations
Accommodations for certified disability students can be addressed through the KOKUA program. Information is available through student services.

Grading Policy:
Two Midterm Exams each worth 15 points =30
6 Quizzes & One Research Project =40*
Final examination =20
Attendance & classroom participation =10 Total points=100

*Quizzes and/or Assignments/Projects may be joined for 10 points each at the discretion of the instructor.

A=88+ points B=78+ points C=68+ points D=58+ points F=57 or less

CALENDAR

Week Aug 23 Pretest (does not count against grade)
One SIS, opening lecture, The G.A.M.E.
Syllabus ONLINE IN LAULIMA, PPT Ch. 1
Crime and Criminology

Two Take Home Assign #1

Week Sept 6 Labor Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Three PPT Chapt. 3, Victims and Victimization
Film (Take home Assignment #2)(Return Assign #1)

Week Sept 13 PPT Chapt. 4. Lecture (Team formation for projects)
Four (Return Assign #2)
Guest or Film

Week Sept 20 Cont. Chapt. 4, Lecture
Five Chapt. 5, lecture
Guest or Film

Week Sept 27 Chapt. 6, Lecture
Six Instructions for Assignments #3 & #4

Week Oct 4 Finish chapter lectures for midterm
Seven Review for MidTerm, Chaps. 1 thru 6 & guest lectures
Week Oct 11 MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, QUIZ #1  BRING #2 PENCIL TO CLASS
Eight
Return exam,
Chapt. 7, lecture Handout - Assignment #5
Guest Speaker

Week Oct 18 Chapt. 8, Lecture
Nine
Handout Assign. #6 and #7 npo instructions
Film or Guest

Week Oct 25 Chapt. 9, Lecture
Ten
Film or Guest
Proposals for nonparticipant observation due

Week Nov 1 Chapt. 10, Lecture
Eleven
In Class Assignment on Death Penalty, Extra Credit
Handout Assign. #8

Week Nov 8 Chapt. 11, Lecture – Turn in Assign #6 and #7
Twelve
Guest or Film
Chapt. 12, In class discussion

Week Nov 15 Extra Points Assignment #9 (News article)
Thirteen
Chapt. 12. (Contd.) Lecture
Turn in Assign #8 Review for Midterm II Chs 7-12

Week Nov 22 MIDTERM EXAMINATION II - Bring #2 pencil to class
Fourteen
Turn in Extra Points Assign #9
THURSDAY – THANKSGIVING DAY
Friday – No School – Instructional Day

Week Nov 29 Return Exam and any lingering assignments
Fifteen
Chapt. 14
Guest or film

Week Dec 6 Review for Final Exam-
Sixteen
Contd. Review; (Posttest) WrapUp –
Dec 8 Last day of Instruction

Final Exam: FRIDAY DECEMBER 17, 2010, 2:15 – 4:15 p.m.
This date may be changed.

NOTE: INSTRUCTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF THE SYLLABUS TO ACCOMMODATE SCHEDULING CONFLICTS.

Addenda: This course has an Option B for students who work outside of the University, have home responsibilities that can be documented, or situations that exceed their ability to attend all classes. Students who wish to explore this Option must report to the Dr G the first week of class with support for their wish to sign a contract for Option B.