MidAmerica
Nazarene University
Criminology
Criminal Justice 3003/Sociology 3003
3 Credit Hours
Fall 2009

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Course Description:
This course is designed to acquaint the student with the various theories concerning criminal etiology. Historical theories as well as current research will be explored. The student will also examine different types of crimes in relation to causation. Part of the goal for this course is to present material within a context which is consistent with MNU’s evangelical Christian values tradition.

Text: Criminology, Siegel, 10th edition. Current research and other relative materials will also be included in the course content.

Evaluation Procedures: A total of four examinations will be given covering class lectures, class discussions, audio visual presentations, and any additional assignments. Each test carries the same weight, including the final. The final **IS comprehensive/take home**. Examinations will consist of multiple choice and true/false questions.

Discussion: During power point lectures a series of questions will be posed for quick discussion (**Pop the Question**). Students are expected to actively participate in discussion activities.

Summary/reaction papers will be required after audio visual presentations and any special speakers. Summary/reaction papers combined will equate to one test score. Papers will be at least one page, typed, double spaced, title/date, and due by the next class meeting.

Points may be deducted for spelling and other grammatical errors. These points will be added back when the student makes the
corrections. This applies to any written assignment.

**All written assignments will be submitted via Moodle.**
Assignments will be in *Word* format.

For a make-up test, the student must provide a proper reason and make arrangements to take the test no later than 2 days following the date scheduled for that particular test. If the student does not notify the professor prior to the test, the instructor has the option of downgrading the test score. Extra credit is **not** an option.

**Academic Honesty:** Refer to the student handbook.

**Citizenship:** In order to enhance the classroom learning environment, students are expected to display appropriate levels of respect and courtesy. Unacceptable behavior will result in at least 5% deduction of overall percentage points.

**Special Needs:** Students needing special accommodations for this class should notify the professor during the first 2 weeks of the course.

**Grade Weight:** Four tests 100 points each, Reactions papers combined equal 100 points.

**Test Dates:**
- *Friday, September 25*th*
- *Friday, October 23*rd
- *Wednesday, November 18*th
- *Final – Wednesday, December 16*th, 10-11:50

**Absences:** Students will be allowed 3 unexcused absences before the last 2 weeks of the semester. A 4th unexcused absence will result in 4 percentage points being deducted from the overall average. Unexcused absences thereafter will result in at least 2 percentage points deducted.

During the last 2 weeks of the semester, **the penalty doubles** for any unexcused absence.

**My Prayer for Students...John 17:15**
Alignment of Mission, Objectives, and Outcomes
MidAmerica Nazarene University

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Means of Assessment: Criminology Comprehensive Exam scores

University Mission Statement:  
The University provides a wide variety of intellectual, social, and religious activities that serve a developmental function in students.  
The ultimate goal is to develop broadly educated individuals with specific skill and career knowledge related to a potential field of work.

Related Division Mission:  
The Division of Behavioral Sciences educates and develops students to be competent in academic disciplines focused on understanding human behavior, mental processes, social functioning and the institutional structures of society.

Course Objectives:  
Have a firm grasp of the knowledge base, methods or inquiry, and scientific developments within the academic discipline of Criminal Justice.

Intended Educational (Student) Outcome or State Standards:  
Demonstrate basic knowledge and skills in understanding and investigating criminal behavior in the context of American society.

Means of Assessment:  
Criminology Comprehensive Exam scores