

Advanced Principles of Criminal Justice

ALL DATES AND TIMES IN THIS SYLLABUS ARE ACCORDING TO EASTERN STANDARD TIME
(GAINESVILLE TIME)

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Class meetings: Tuesday 7 (13:55-14:45), Thursday 7-8 (13:55-15:50), LEI 0104

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Course Description

This class is designed to provide an overview of the structure, process, and function of the criminal justice system in the United States. Students will explore the police, courts, and corrections that make up the criminal justice system and its structure, function, and interrelationship between the components. The course also covers how race, class, and gender operate in criminal justice and encourages students to think about controversial issues of criminal justice in America.

Required Textbook

Kenneth J. Peak and Tamara D. Herold, 2021 Introduction to Criminal Justice: Practice and Process (*Fourth edition*), Sage.

- UF Bookstore
<https://www.bkstr.com/floridastore/product/introduction-to-criminal-justice-23859-1>
- Amazon
<https://a.co/d/8FZ79JN>
- RedShelf
<https://redshelf.com/app/ecom/book/1466964/introduction-to-criminal-justice-1466964-9781544372969-kenneth-j-peak-tamara-d-madensen-herold>

**Additional course materials will be uploaded in Canvas.*

Evaluation

1.Participation (30%): Quizzes

Students will solve one set of quizzes for a week. There would be approximately 12 quizzes during the semester. You are free to refer to the textbook and your notes when you solve these questions. These quizzes are based on the lecture for each week and will be uploaded on **Thursday at 6:00 pm**. You can access them through the Canvas Quizzes feature and should submit your answer by **Friday 6:00 pm**. Late submission will not be accepted, and you will receive zero credit. At the end of the semester, only the 10 sets of quizzes are used for the calculation of the final quiz score. Each of the 10 scores will be equally weighted.

2.Short Essay (20%): 2 Essays

You will write two essays over the semester. The goal of this essay is to develop your idea *succinctly and clearly* on issues in the criminal justice system in the United States. You can write your essay by using class materials (e.g., Journals, films, lectures, textbooks) and doing external research. The essay must be a maximum of **1 PAGE (This limit does not include references)** and only **PDF format** is accepted. Your essay will be graded not only on timely submission (Late submission will not be allowed) but also on your original and critical analysis of an essay question. You can discuss your essay with the instructor and get help from UF Writing Studio (<https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/>). Plagiarism will be detected in both essays.

- First Short Essay (Due by Oct 13, 11:59 PM)
- Second Short Essay (Due by Dec.1, 11:59 PM)

3. Exam (50%): Exam 1 and Exam 2

There will be two exams in this course. Each exam includes questions from the required textbook and lectures. Each exam will account for 25% of your final grade. **Exams will take place in the classroom.** (Honorlock proctoring is not provided for our class.) You need to bring your fully charged laptop to take the exam via the Canvas quiz. There will be NO cumulative exams, which means each exam deals with one module. (Module 1: exam1, Module 2: exam2)

Make-up exams will be allowed only in those circumstances in which you cannot take an exam for a valid reason according to UF policy. In that case, you should notify me before the start of the examination. In addition, you will need to provide valid documentation (within a week) justifying your absence. (<http://shcc.ufl.edu/forms-records/excuse->

[notes/](#)) Failure to comply with these rules will result in a zero score for the missed exam.

- First Exam: Thursday, October 20th, 2022
- Second Exam: Tuesday, December 6th, 2022

4. Extra Credit

There will be several opportunities for extra credit throughout the semester. That will not be on regular basis.

Grading Scale

Your final letter grade will be determined as follows.

A	93 - 100
A-	90 - 92.99
B+	87 - 89.99
B	83 - 86.99
B-	80 - 82.99
C+	75 - 79.99
C	70 - 74.99
C-	65 - 69.99
D+	60 - 64.99
D	55 - 59.99
E	0 - 54.99

Accessibility

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, <https://disability.ufl.edu/>) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodations. Students with disabilities need to follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester

Course Communications

All class activities will take place during our assigned class time. You are expected to be available during those times. Since this class is a face-to-face course, you are expected to stay in Gainesville throughout this semester. You are responsible for all information made available through classes and Canvas. Students are encouraged to communicate with the instructor anytime if any concerns. Both Canvas messages and email (bomi.jin@ufl.edu) are welcomed.

Recording

Students are allowed to record the class only for 1) personal educational use; 2) complaints to the university; 3) criminal or civil proceedings. **All other purposes are prohibited.** This class will not provide a recorded lecture for students who miss a class.

COVID-19 Policy

Masks are welcomed during class and within buildings. In response to COVID-19, the following recommendations are in place to maintain your learning environment, to enhance the safety of our in-classroom interactions, and to further the health and safety of ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.

- If you are not vaccinated, get vaccinated. Vaccines are readily available and have been demonstrated to be safe and effective against the COVID-19 virus. Visit one.ufl.edu for screening / testing and vaccination opportunities.
- If you are sick, stay home. Please call your primary care provider if you are ill and need immediate care or the UF Student Health Care Center at 352-392-1161 to be evaluated.
- As with any excused absence, you will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up missed work.

University Honesty policy

University Honesty Policy UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "*We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.*" The Honor Code (<https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>) specifies the number of behaviors that violate this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to

appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

Academic Resources

Library Support	http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/
Teaching Center	Broward Hall, 352-392-2010 or 352-392-6410 http://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/ Assistant with study skills and tutoring
Writing Studio	2215 Turlington Hall, 352-846-1138 http://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/ Assistant with brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers
Student Complains On-Campus	https://flexible.dce.ufl.edu/student-complaints/

Course Outline

Week 1	Class Introduction
Module 1	
Week 2	Fundamentals of Criminal Justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 1 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 3	Foundations of Law and Crime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 2 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 4	Theories of Criminality and Crime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 3 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 5	Police Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 5 • Review Part 1 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 6	Police Structure and Functions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 5 and 6 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 7	Police at Work: Investigation and Patrol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 6 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 8	Police Methods and Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 7 First Essay Due by 11:59 pm Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 9	Exam 1 (October 20)

Module 2	
Week 10	Court Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 9 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 11	Court Organization: Trial Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 9 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 12	Court Methods and Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 11 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 13	Court Methods and Challenges: Prison and Jails <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 11 and 12 Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 14	Issues around Corrections in the U.S. Second Essay Due by 11:59pm Quiz due by Friday 6pm
Week 15	Exam 2 (December 6)

** No classes on **Tuesday, November 23** and **Thursday, November 25** (Thanksgiving break)*

**This syllabus is subject to change. All changes will be announced in advance.*