

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY
SOC 3720 A01
CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE – 3 CREDIT HOURS
Wednesday Evenings 6pm-8:45pm (January-April 2020) 215 Tier

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Office Hours: By appointment only. I am available through email at all times to arrange a meeting or answer any questions.

COURSE OVERVIEW:

This course will serve to introduce you to the criminal justice process. It is important to understand the procedures and practices that govern criminal law; from initial arrest to sentencing. This will include discussions relating from youth law to how the Charter of Rights and Freedoms has affected our criminal justice system.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

1. Joan Brockman and Christopher Nowlin *-An Introduction to Canadian Criminal Procedure and Evidence- 6th Edition-* (available through the University of Manitoba Bookstore)- **REQUIRED**

EVALUATION:

A+ = 95-100%	A= 86-94%	B+ = 80-85%	B= 70-79%
C+= 65-69%	C= 60-64%	D= 50-59%	F= less than 50%

40%- Midterm exam (to be done during class on **February 12**)

10% - Participation/attendance

50% - Final Exam (to be scheduled by the Registrar's office)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Academic Dishonesty: Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on plagiarism, cheating, exam personation ("Personation at Examinations"- Section 5.2.9 and "Plagiarism and Cheating" – Section 8.1) and duplicate submission by reading documentation provided at the Arts Student Resources website at:

http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student_resources/student_responsibilities_integrity.html- Ignorance of the regulations and policies regarding academic integrity is not a valid excuse for violating them. The minimum penalty for plagiarism is an F on a written assignment.

Any term work that has not been claimed by students will be held for four (4) months from the end of the final examination period for the term in which the work was assigned. At the conclusion of this time, all unclaimed term work will become property of the Faculty of Arts and be destroyed according to FIPPA guidelines and using confidential measures for disposal.

Students are expected to be present for the midterm exam as well as the final exam. Failure to do so may result in an F. Should there be an exceptional circumstance, I expect to be informed PRIOR to the test. I will determine whether the circumstance

merits an extension or not. If not, students must be prepared to write the exam at the scheduled time.

READINGS:

***Depending on class discussions, we may have “spill over” into the following week’s class. We may not get through all of the following topics within the allotted time frame. It’s hard to predict how much material we will get through so this is a TENTATIVE reading list. The guest speakers are also tentative at this time and we may have to skip the speaker and continue following the schedule as laid out.*

LECTURES

January 8, 2020- First class. Read Intro Chapter of Nowlin/Brockman’s textbook.

January 15, 2020- Guest Speaker- Mitch Bourbonniere – Action Therapy

January 17, 2020- Last day to drop class for refund.

January 22, 2020- Read Chapters 1, 2 & 3 of Nowlin/Brockman’s textbook.

January 29, 2020- Read Chapters 4, 5 & 6 of Nowlin/Brockman’s textbook.

February 5, 2020- Guest Speaker – Steve Mitchell, Winnipeg Police Service

February 12, 2020- *MIDTERM EXAM (to be completed during class hours)*- marks to be handed back by February 26 class.

February 19, 2019- NO CLASS- Reading week.

February 26, 2020- Read Chapters 7, 8 & 9 of Nowlin/Brockman’s textbook

March 4, 2020- I will be presenting on youth law (not in textbook).

March 11, 2020- Read Chapters 10 & 11 of Nowlin/Brockman’s textbook

March 18, 2020- Last day for voluntary withdrawal from class. Guest Speaker- Tannis Toothill- Manager, FASD Justice Program

March 25, 2020- Read Chapters 12 & 14 of Nowlin/Brockman’s textbook.

April 1, 2020- Final Class before Exam. Guest Speaker- Wade McDonald- Head of the Homicide Unit, Winnipeg Police Service. We will also use this class for review and exam preparation – no required reading for this class.