

University of Manitoba - Department of Sociology

Sociology 3720: Criminal Law & Procedure

Section A01

Winter 2011 - 3 Credits

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Last Day for Voluntary Withdrawal: March 18, 2011

Time:

Mondays, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Classroom:

Tier Building, #214

Required Readings: Kent Roach, Benjamin Berger, Patrick Healy, & James Stribopoulos, *Criminal Law and Procedure: Cases and Materials* (10th ed.)

The course is designed two types of students. For those students who are contemplating entering law school and becoming lawyers, this course will offer an introduction to legal philosophy and legal reasoning. For those students who want to work in fields such as sociology, criminology, or public policy, this course is also designed to facilitate not just an appreciation of legal doctrine, but also how to analyze legal doctrine with reference to its effects on and relationship to society.

Method of Evaluation:

20% Mid-term examination, scheduled during the second half of the class on February 14th.

40% 12 to 15 page term paper, due on March 21st by the end of class.

40% Final Examination, (closed book) to be scheduled during the final examination period.

Cut-off points for Converting Percentage Grades into Letter Grades:

A+ = 90-100 % B+ = 76-79 % C+ = 66-69 % D = 50-59 %

A = 80-89 % B = 70-75 % C = 60-65 % F = 0-49 %

Note Missing the deadlines, whether it is attending the final examination or handing in the term paper, may result in a reduction of the mark for that component or even a zero on that component.

Please also note the following:

University of Manitoba Senate Policy #1307 requires "a post-examination review of final grades in multi-sectioned courses that will ensure an equitable correspondence between grades and level of performance of all sections." Accordingly, the final grade distribution in this course may be raised or lowered to achieve this equity and, therefore, your final grade may be changed.

And also the following as it concerns your academic integrity as a student:

Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on personation at examinations (Section 5.2.9) and 'Plagiarism and Cheating' (Section 8.1) found in the Undergraduate Calendar.

January 10 - Introductory Class

No assigned readings

January 17 - Sources of Criminal Law, Limits on the Criminal Law

Chapters 1 & 2

January 24 - Overview of Criminal Process

Chapter 4

January 31 - Actus Reus

Chapter 5

February 7 - Standards of Fault for Criminal Offences

Chapters 6 & 7

February 14 - Extensions of Criminal Liability & Mid-Term Examination

Chapters 9, 10 & 11

February 21 - Reading Week

No Classes

February 28 - Police Powers, the *Charter* and Criminal Law

Chapter 3.

Mid-term examination will be held during the second half of the class. (Closed book)

March 7 - Sexual Assault and Homicide

Chapters 12 & 13

March 14 - Defences to Criminal Charges: Part 1

Chapters 8 & 14

March 21 - Defences to Criminal Charges: Part 2

Chapter 15 & 16

March 28 - Defences to Criminal Charges: Part 3

Chapters 17, 18, & 19

April 4 - Sentencing & Youth Justice

Chapter 20