

Grading Policy

Final grades will be evaluated as follows:

Weekly Assignments (7)	30%
Quizzes (7)	30%
Final Examination	30%
Participation	10%

Grading Scale

A = 90 to 100

B = 80 to 89

C = 70 to 79

D = 60 to 69

F = 59 and below.

Please Note: Extra credit will not be awarded, late assignments will not be accepted, and no assignment may be submitted via email.

Students have the right, within a reasonable time, to know their academic scores, to review their grade-

JS12-01 / Introduction to Legal Studies, Spring 2020

Course Schedule

Week	Date	Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines
1	January 27 & 29	Introductions/Course overview; Syllabus, Class, Assignment, Quiz & Final Examination formats; Historical Foundations of Justice; Legal, Criminal & Social Justice; State & Federal Constitutions; Structure & Sources of Authority of the Legal System in the United States; In-class exercise.
2	February 3 & 5	Dark Figure of Crime; Relationships between Law Enforcement, Courts & Correctional Systems; Distinguishing Crimes & Torts; The Study of Criminology, & Criminal Justice; Reporting & Measuring Criminal Behavior; Uniform Crime Report, National Crime Victim Survey & Law Enforcement Education Program; Read Chapter 1: An Introduction To Law and Society (pgs 1-42); Review Terminology (p 42); Prepare, Submit and be ready to

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6	March 2 & 4	Retributive & Restorative Models of Justice; Balancing Individual & Community Demands; Expectations of Equal Protection, Procedural & Substantive Due Process; Black Lives Matter & Officer Involved Shootings; Read Chapter 5: Access to Justice and Legal Ethics (pgs 178-208); Review Terminology (p 208); Prepare, Submit and be ready to discuss Weekly Assignment #3: Chapter Review Questions: 1-7 (p 208 + Week 5 #'s); Quiz #3.
7	March 9 & 11	Return/Review Quiz #3; Retributive & Restorative Models of Justice; Balancing Individual & Community Demands; Expectations of Equal Protection, Procedural & Substantive Due Process; Black Lives Matter & Officer Involved Shootings; Read Chapter 6: Dispute Resolution (pgs 209-242); Review Terminology (p 242); Prepare and be ready to discuss Weekly Assignment: Chapter Review Questions: 1-8 (p 242); In-class exercise.
8	March 16 & 18	Parens Patriae, Delinquency & Approaches to Juvenile Justice; School Bullying & Status Offenses; Recidivism, Incarceration Rates & Alternatives to Incarceration; Parole, Probation & Expungement; Jails, Prisons, Home Detention & Diversion Programs; Read Chapter 7: Criminal Courts (pgs 243-273); Review Terminology (p 273); Prepare, Submit and be ready to discuss Weekly Assignment #4: Responses to Chapter Review Questions: 1-7 (p 273 + Week 7 #'s); Quiz #4.
9	March 23 & 25	Return/Review Quiz #4; Habeas Corpus & Key Constitutional Rights of the 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th & 14th Amendments; Reasonable Suspicion & Probable Cause; Stop & Frisk; Search & Seizure; Valid Warrants; Custodial Interrogation; Effective Assistance of Counsel & Plea Agreements; Exclusionary Rule & Fruit of the Poisonous Tree Doctrine; Read Chapter 8: Juries (pgs 274-311); Review Terminology (p 312); Prepare and be ready to discuss Weekly Assignment: Chapter Review Questions: 1-12 (pgs 311-312); In-class exercise.
10	March 30- April 3	
11	April 6 & 8	Malum In Se & Malum Prohibitum; Person, Property & Inchoate Crimes; Concurrences of Act & Intent; Actual & Legal Causation; Implied & Expressed Malice; Infractions, Misdemeanors & Inherently Dangerous Felonies, Felony Murder Rule; Read Chapter 9: Law and Social Control (pgs 313-379); Review Terminology (p 380); Prepare, Submit and be ready to discuss Weekly Assignment #5: Responses to Chapter Review Questions: 1-7 (p 380 + Week 9 #'s); Quiz #5.

12 April Return/Review Quiz #5; Retribution, Deterrence, Incapacitation &
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