

CRJU 3310 – Section 2 - CRN 80136
Police in America
Kennesaw State University
Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

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<p><i>Monday & Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:15 p.m.</i> <i>Final Exam Date: December 10th, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.</i> <i>Last Day to Withdraw Without Academic Penalty: October 8, 2014</i></p>
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Course Description

This course is a survey and overview of policing in the United States, including a description of the historical development of modern policing, the structure and organization of police agencies in the United States and as assessment and analysis of policing in America.

Course Objectives

1. Trace the evolution of policing in the United States.
2. Identify and discuss the types of law enforcement agencies in the United States.
3. Discuss issues related to the nature of police work.
4. Define law enforcement organization and composition.
5. Discuss the relationship between the police and the community.
6. Identify the functions of law enforcement agencies.
7. Contrast crime control, service and order.
8. Discuss police misconduct.
9. Discuss current trends and future possibilities in policing.

Required Text

Policing in America, A Balance of Forces, 4th ed. by Lawrence F. Travis III and Robert H. Langworthy. Pearson/Prentice Hall Publishers. ISBN-10: 0131580221.

Office Location & Hours

I have no personal on-campus office but I do have access to office space and will make immediate arrangements to meet with any student on-campus in the Social Sciences building at hours which are mutually beneficial.

Course Requirements

- Mid-Term Exam: Includes Chapters 1-10 and lectures.
- Final Exam: Includes Chapters 11-17, lectures and student presentations.
- Local Law Enforcement Agency Review Assignment (handed out in class).
- Research Paper & Presentation: Each student will prepare a short research paper (subject matter assigned by instructor) consisting of a minimum of two type-written, double-spaced, 12-font pages, using either the APA or MLA writing style. Papers will have a minimum of two references. Your paper will be due on the day of your presentation. Late papers will have 10 points per calendar day subtracted from the overall score of the assignment. The subject matter of the paper will then be presented to the class using PowerPoint. Spelling and grammar will be graded on the paper and presentation. The paper and presentation will each be graded and will each carry 50% of the weight of the grade for this assignment. There will be exam questions related to the presentations, so pay attention to your classmates when they present.
- Course attendance is crucial to learning the subject matter of the course. You will earn four points of final exam extra credit for perfect attendance. **Those missing more than five class sessions will have ten points deducted from their overall final average grade.**

Grading

Your final score will be calculated using the following guide:

Local Agency Review	25%	Due September 22
Mid-Term Exam	25%	October 6
Research Paper & Presentation	25%	Due when presented (see syllabus schedule)
Final Exam	25%	December 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Grades will be posted on D2L and I will make every effort to have them posted within 48 hours of the completion of the assignment or exam.

Extra Credit

Any additional extra credit may be awarded at the discretion of the instructor. Any extra credit assignment made will be available to all students.

Class Activities

Class time is devoted to discussion, lecture, assignments, and reviews. Changing circumstances may lead to adjustments in course assignments and scheduling.

Students with Disabilities

Any student with a documented disability needing academic adjustments must notify me as soon as possible. Verification from KSU disabled student support services is required. All discussions will remain confidential.

Academic Honesty

Every KSU student is responsible for upholding the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct, as published in the Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs. Section II of the Student Code of Conduct addresses the University's policy on academic honesty, including provisions regarding plagiarism and cheating, unauthorized access to University materials, misrepresentation/falsification of University records or academic work, malicious removal, retention, or destruction of library materials, malicious/intentional misuse of computer facilities and/or services, and misuse of student identification cards. Incidents of alleged academic misconduct will be handled through the established procedures of the University Judiciary Program, which includes either an "informal" resolution by a faculty member, resulting in grade adjustment, or a formal hearing procedure, which may subject a student to the Code of Conduct's minimum one semester suspension requirement.

No student shall receive, attempt to receive, knowingly give, or attempt to give unauthorized assistance in the preparation of any work required to be submitted for credit (including examinations, laboratory reports, essays, themes, term papers, etc.). Unless specifically authorized, the presence and/or use of electronic devices during an examination, quiz, or other class assignment is considered cheating. Engaging in any behavior which a professor prohibits as academic misconduct in the syllabus or in class discussion is cheating. When direct quotations are used, they should be indicated, and when the ideas, theories, data, figures, graphs, programs, electronic-based information or illustrations of someone other than the student are incorporated into a paper or used in a project, they should be duly acknowledged. No student may submit the same, or substantially the same, paper or other assignment for credit in more than one class without the prior permission of the current professor(s).

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***Class Schedule**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>
August 18	Class Overview
August 20	Chapter 1
August 25	Chapter 2
August 27	Chapter 3
September 1	No Class – Labor Day Holiday
September 3	Chapter 4
September 8	Chapter 5
September 10	Chapter 6
September 15	Chapter 7
September 17	Chapter 8
September 22	Chapter 9 & Local Agency Review Due
September 24	Chapter 10
September 29	Review for Mid-Term Exam
October 1	Study Session
October 6	Mid-Term Exam
October 8	Chapter 11
October 13	Chapter 12
October 15	Chapter 13
October 20	Chapter 14
October 22	Chapter 15
October 27	Chapter 16

October 29	Chapter 17
November 3	Student Presentations
November 5	Student Presentations
November 10	Student Presentations
November 12	Student Presentations
November 17	Student Presentations
November 19	Student Presentations
November 24	No Class – Fall Break
November 26	No Class – Fall Break
December 1	Review for Final Exam
December 3	Study Session
December 10	6:00 pm Final Exam

** This schedule is subject to revision at the will of the instructor. The progress of the class will dictate the time frame of the material presented. Adjustments will be made as necessary.*