

KENNESAWSTATEUNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY and CRIMINAL JUSTICE
CRIMINAL JUSTICE 3315/03 – CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
CRN #81280
Prerequisite : CRJU1101
SYLLABUS – FALL 2015

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TEXT:

Criminal Procedure: Law and Practice, 9th Ed., Del Carmen, Wadsworth Publishing, Belmont, CA, 2014. Required

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand the American judicial system and criminal justice processes.
2. Examine specific procedural rules, their sources, and their application throughout the criminal justice process.
3. Explore constitutional rights of persons accused of criminal law violations.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Attend class regularly.
2. Read all assignments and come to class prepared. You are expected to have read the assigned sections of the textbook before each class.
3. Participate in class discussions and activities. This is not a lecture course; students must be prepared to discuss the assigned topics and engage in dialogue and debate.

COURSE SCHEDULE:

AUGUST 17TH/19TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 1/2
AUGUST 24TH/26TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 3
AUGUST 31st SEPT 2	Reading/Discussion Chapter 3/4
SEPTEMBER 7	Holiday
SEPTEMBER 9	EXAM Chapters 1-4
SEPT 14TH/16TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 5/6
SEPT 21ST/23RD	Reading/Discussion Chapter 7
SEPT 28TH/30TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 8

OCT 5TH/7TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 9
OCT 12TH	EXAM Chapters 5-9
OCT 19TH/21ST	Reading/Discussion Chapter 10
OCT 26TH/28TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 11
NOV 2ND/4TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 12
NOV 9TH/11TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 13
NOV 16TH	EXAM Chapters 10-13
NOV 18TH/30TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 14
DEC 2ND/7TH	Reading/Discussion Chapter 15

GRADED ASSIGNMENTS:

4 section exams. For each section exam, students will be assigned two essay questions involving practical applications. On the scheduled dates, one hour will be devoted to completion of the exam, and the remainder of that class session will be devoted to discussion of the answers or

solutions to the hypothetical problems presented on the exam. Students may refer to their notes and the textbook during the exam. Each section exam is worth 25% of the grade for the course.

Make-ups: A student who misses one of the exams will be given an alternate assignment, which will be posted in the News section of D2L on the day of the exam. This assignment will require the student to answer 5 essay questions from the same material covered on the in-class exam. The alternate assignment **MUST** be submitted no later than the start of the next regular class period; electronic submissions are acceptable. Each student may use the alternate assignment option **ONLY ONCE** – no exceptions. Failure to submit this assignment on time will result in a grade of 0.

NOTE: No “extra credit” work will be assigned.

USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES: Students are not permitted to use laptop or tablet computers, cell phones, or other electronic devices during class, except for the purpose of taking notes. The instructor reserves the right at any time to observe the screen content of any device used during class. If content other than class notes or other relevant material is visible, the student will be required to shut off the device and will not be allowed to use it in class thereafter.

GRADING: The final grade will be assigned as a letter grade, based on the following scale:

A = 90 – 100

B = 80 – 89

C = 70 – 79

D = 60 – 69

F = 59 and below

A grade of Incomplete will be given only in rare circumstances, for good cause shown, such as a serious illness that precludes completion of the course. An Incomplete will not be given solely

for failure to complete assignments on time. The instructor and the department chair shall have sole discretion in granting an Incomplete grade.

Grades, announcements, and schedule changes will be posted on D2L Brightspace. Students are urged to check their D2L site regularly. All electronic communications with the instructor regarding course-related matters must be submitted through the D2L mail feature, NOT the standard KSU email system.

ATTENDANCE: Regular class attendance is directly related to academic success. Therefore, attendance in class should be a priority, and a mandatory attendance policy will be enforced. Each student will be allowed a maximum of three absences during the semester. These are at the student's discretion – no doctor's notes or other documentation is required. However, upon the fourth and subsequent absence, one letter grade will be deducted from the student's final grade for each class missed.

Roll will be called at the start of each class. Students who arrive late are solely responsible for checking in with the instructor IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLASS. Two late arrivals are the equivalent of one absence.

The only exceptions to this policy are for documented mandatory military service or a court subpoena or summons.

Students are solely responsible for managing their enrollment status in a class; nonattendance does not constitute a withdrawal.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: Any student with a documented disability requiring academic accommodation is responsible for notifying the instructor as early in the semester as possible. Verification from KSU Student Disability Services is necessary. All discussions relating to the disability will remain confidential.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: Every KSU student is responsible for upholding the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct, as published in the Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs. Section III 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 or intentional misuse of computer facilities and/or services, and misuse of student identification cards. Incidents of academic misconduct will be handled through the established procedures of the University Judiciary Program, which may include an informal resolution by a faculty member resulting in a grade adjustment or a formal hearing procedure, which may subject the student to the minimum one-semester suspension required by the Code of Conduct.

Cheating or plagiarism in any form will result in a grade of F for the course. In addition, a report will be filed with the Office of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity.