

**KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE**  
**CRJU 3310 – POLICE IN AMERICA**  
**CRN 10134**  
**SYLLABUS – SPRING, 2015**  
**January 07 – May 04**

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Available before and sometimes after class

Class Times:

Friday

3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Location:

Social Science Building

Classroom 2030

## **SYLLABUS**

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

An overview of the role of the police in American society, examining such issues as the police role in a democracy, ethnic tensions, unionization, professionalism, civil disturbances, law enforcement, and police misconduct.

### **COURSE PREREQUISITES**

CRJU 1101

### **REQUIRED READING:**

Peak, Kenneth J., **Policing America**. Pearson 2012. 7<sup>th</sup> Edition

### **CLASS ATTENDANCE**

Students are referred to the current KSU catalog for the official policy on class attendance. Regular attendance and participation is expected. If you are going to be absent let me know the week before. I will go over the current Attendance Verification Procedures, per Federal regulations.

### **PREPARATION FOR CLASS**

Regular class attendance and participation imply preparation. Students are expected to keep current with reading assignments and to demonstrate preparation in both discussions and assigned projects.

Note: Recording of lectures is prohibited without written permission from the instructor and/or speaker. There will be no material on the tests from my lectures. All test material is from the textbook.

### **STUDENT DEMEANOR AND INTEGRITY**

Students are referred to the current KSU catalog, for the official policy on Student Conduct.

### **COURSE PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Each student will be required to attend class regularly and perform well on written examinations.

### **TESTS**

Tests will be administered on the dates identified in the Course Outline. **All test material will come from the textbook.** Students will be responsible for material contained in the assigned readings. Additionally, students **may** be responsible for material presented by guest lecturers.



### **EXTRA CREDIT**

Extra credit will be available, and will involve individual gathering of information relating to the subject and be presented in written form Using APA or MLA format. Subject matter can relate directly to the course material, guest speakers' presentations, or a pre approved topic, of course dealing with criminal justice. Each paper will be two pages, double-spaced, in font 12. At least two references must be listed. The limit, per student, is ten (10) extra credit papers. The papers are worth 1-3 points, at my discretion, added to your final grade.

### **WITHDRAWALS, INCOMPLETE AND MAKE-UPS**

All are discouraged. The official College policies regarding these matters are contained in the current KSU catalog. Make-up tests are painful experiences for everyone, therefore, make-up tests will be given only in the most extraordinary circumstances. The last day to withdraw without a penalty is 02/28/14.

### **METHODS OF INSTRUCTION**

The following methods of instruction will be used to facilitate learning in this course.

- Lecture
- Class Discussions
- Small Group Interactions
- Textbooks, handouts, etc. are copyright material; therefore there will be **no** recording of lectures without written permission from the instructor.

The syllabus provides a general plan for the course. **Deviation from this plan may be necessary.**

### **DISABILITY SERVICES**

Support services, program accessibility and reasonable accommodations are available to persons with documented disabilities through Disabled Student Support Services. The student must visit this office to begin the process for accessing services and assistance. Please contact them for more information: Carmichael Student Center Addition, Second Floor, Suite 267; 770-423-6443

## **Course Outline**

**During the following dates there will be guest speakers and, possibly, occasional movies, dealing with police in America.**

01/07/15	Syllabus & Overview
01/12/15	Chapter -1
01/14/15	Chapter- 1
<b>01/19/15</b>	<b>HOLIDAY</b>
01/21/15	Chapter -2

01/26/28	Chapter -2
02/28/15	Chapter -3
02/02/15	Chapter -3
02/04/15	Chapter -4
02/09/15	Chapter -4
02/11/15	Chapter -5
02/16/15	Chapter -5
02/18/15	Chapter-6
02/23/15	Chapter -6
02/25/15	Chapter -7
03/02/15	Chapter -7
03/04/15	Chapter -8
03/09/15	Chapter -8
<b>03/11/15</b>	<b>MID TERM REVIEW</b>
<b>03/16/15</b>	<b>MID TERM EXAM</b>
03/18/15	Chapter -09
03/23/15	Chapter -10
03/25/15	Chapter -11
03/30/15	Chapter -11
04/01/15	Chapter -12
<b>04/04/15 – 04/10/15</b>	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>
04/13/15	Chapter -12
04/15/15	Chapter -13

04/20/15	Chapter -13
04/22/15	Chapter -14
04/27/15	Chapter -15
<b>04/29/15</b>	<b>FINAL EXAM REVIEW</b>
<b>05/04/15</b>	<b>FINAL EXAM-3:30-5:30</b>

I suggest students begin reading as soon as the textbook is acquired. If time allows we will review the material the week before the tests. At the end of each chapter you will find a Summary, Key Terms, Review Questions and Learn by Doing situations. These are good indications of what to expect on the tests and class activities.