

ETHICS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
CRJU 4100/02
10119
Spring Semester 2017
Social Sciences Building Room 3023
Monday/Wednesday 5:00 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
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Course Description:
CRJU 4100-3 credit hours
Prerequisite: CRJU 1101

The purpose of this class is to provide you with basic philosophical principles necessary to analyze ethical dilemmas. We will include current events to illustrate that ethics is not as simple as some might think. Throughout the semester we will identify themes, such as discretion and due process that run through the entire criminal justice system.

Required Reading: Ethical Dilemmas and Decisions in Criminal Justice
8th Edition
Joycelyn M. Pollock
Wadsworth/Cengage Publishing
ISBN: 978-1-285-06266-2

Course Requirements:

Attendance: It is in your best interest to be in class regularly and to be on time. If there is an emergency and you must miss class, you should make every effort to contact me in advance to make arrangements for missed material; however, it is ultimately the student's responsibility for missed work. No assignments will be accepted late unless PRIOR arrangements have been made. Students are solely responsible for managing their enrollment status in a course; nonattendance does not constitute a withdrawal.

During the semester there will be a midterm, quiz, movie assignment, 4 in-class group assignments and a final exam. The quiz, midterm and final exam will be a variety of multiple choice, T/F and short answer type questions. I will go over each of these in more depth prior to their due dates.

Midterm	100 points	Group Ethical Dilemmas (4)	100 points
Quiz	50 points		
Movie Assignment	20 points		
Final Exam	100 points		

Course grades will be assigned according to the scale below:

90-100% = A	70-79% = C	59% or below = F
80-89% = B	60-69% = D	

Academic Dishonesty:

Academic dishonesty, cheating, and plagiarism of any kind will not be tolerated and will be dealt with severely. All students are expected to know what acts constitute academic misconduct and to adhere to KSU's Student Code of Conduct which can be found at: http://kennesaw.edu/scai/code_of_conduct.shtml#ii

I will respond to acts of academic misconduct according to university policy; sanctions for academic dishonesty can include a grade of F for the assignment in question and/or for the course and will be subject to the formal procedures according to the University's and the Sociology and Criminal Justice Department's guidelines.

Disability Services:

If you have a disability (e.g., visual impairment, hearing impairment, physical impairment, communication disorder and/or specific learning disability) which may influence your performance in this course, you must meet with a representative at disabled Student Support Services (Student Development Center) to arrange for reasonable accommodations to ensure an equitable opportunity to meet all the requirements of this course. If you require accommodations due to disability, please visit:

http://www.kennesaw.edu/stu_dev/dsss/dsss.html for more information on how to register with disabled Student Support Services. You will be provided faculty letters indicating your accommodation needs for the semester. Please present this letter to me as soon as possible to ensure your accommodation needs are discussed, agreed upon and provided.

Important Policies:

Email: Students should check their KSU student email regularly. Throughout the course I will contact the class through emails or post announcements on D2L. You are expected to use your official KSU email account for all class correspondence. Due to confidentiality reasons, I will only respond to emails from the school email system.

Class cancellation: If the class is cancelled unexpectedly, notification will be on the classroom door and/or posted on D2L.

Click on the following links for additional university policies:

Confidentiality and Privacy Statement (FERPA)

<http://enrollmentservices.kennesaw.edu/training/ferpa.php>

University – Student Rights Statement

<http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/content.php?catoid=27&navoid=2263>

Ethics Statement

<http://scai.kennesaw.edu/codes.php>

Sexual Harassment Statement

<http://scai.kennesaw.edu/codes.php>

Additional Resources: The following links are additional resources that are available to you as well.

The Writing Center:

<http://writingcenter.kennesaw.edu/>

Career Services

<http://careers.kennesaw.edu/>

Counseling and Psychological Services

<http://www.kennesaw.edu/studentssuccessservices/cps/services.php>

Center for Health Promotion and Wellness

<http://wellstarcollege.kennesaw.edu/wellness/>

Student Health Services

<http://studenthealth.kennesawstateauxiliary.com/>

Disruption of Campus Life Policy

<http://scai.kennesaw.edu/codes.php>

Academic calendar: You are responsible for familiarizing yourself with the University's academic calendar. This calendar includes important dates for students regarding registering, dropping of classes, and holiday breaks.

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

Cell phones: Cell phones must be silent during class. Do not send text messages, check emails or doing anything else on your phone during class. You are not sneaky enough to text message or check Facebook, Snapchat etc...without all of us seeing it and its very distracting to the rest of us. So, please remain off of your phone for the hour that we are in class!

Communication: Email/voice mail communications with me require an acknowledgement-just because you leave a message does not mean that it was received or that the request was granted.

Syllabus: I reserve the right to adjust the syllabus or course information to better meet the objectives of this course or the student's needs. I have outlined this semester for you, for the most part we will follow this outline, unless I specify otherwise. In addition, just because there is a blank space in the syllabus does not mean that you have the day off, we will still be in class unless the syllabus states NO CLASS or there is an announcement on D2L!

<u>Class</u>	<u>Topics Covered</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
Monday 1/9	Introductions, Syllabus, Disclaimer	
Wednesday 1/11	Chapter 1	
Monday 1/16	NO CLASS! MLK Day	
Wednesday 1/18	Chapter 2	
Monday 1/23	Guest Speaker	
Wednesday 1/25	Chapter 3	
Monday 1/30	Chapter 4	
Wednesday 2/1	Guest Speaker	
Monday 2/6	Chapter 5	

Wednesday 2/8		Ethical Dilemma #1
Monday 2/13	Quiz (chapters 1-4)	
Wednesday 2/15	Field Trip!	
Monday 2/20	Chapter 6	
Wednesday 2/22	Chapter 7	Ethical Dilemma #2
Monday 2/27	Chapter 8	
Wednesday 3/1	Midterm	
Monday 3/6	Movie	
Wednesday 3/8	Finish Movie	Movie Assignment (in class)
Monday 3/13	Chapter 9	
Wednesday 3/15	Guest Speaker *6:00-8:00 (combined with 6:30 class)	
Monday 3/20	Chapter 10	
Wednesday 3/22		Ethical Dilemma #3
Monday 3/27	Chapter 11	
Wednesday 3/29		
Monday 4/3	NO CLASS! Spring Break	
Wednesday 4/5	NO CLASS! Spring Break	
Monday 4/10	Chapter 12	
Wednesday 4/12		
Monday 4/17	Chapter 13	
Wednesday 4/19		Ethical Dilemma #4
Monday 4/24	Chapter 14	
Wednesday 4/26		
Monday 5/1	Final Exam Review	
Wednesday 5/3	Final Exam *in class at 5:00*	