

Sociology of Deviance [SOC 303 Section 001]
Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2-2:50pm. Pulliam Hall Rm 310

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Required Text: Clinard, M. and R. Meier. 2008. *Sociology of Deviant Behavior*. 13th Ed.; Assigned readings available through BlackBoard.

Must log-on to BlackBoard to retrieve assigned readings. In Course Content, "Supplemental Readings" folder.

Course Objectives: To provide the student with an extensive overview of social deviance and theories of social deviance. To provide the student with a general knowledge of the major forms of deviance in American Society. To help students utilize social scientific analysis to critically examine deviant behavior.

Classroom Environment: The class is formatted as lecture and discussion. The material in this course will be controversial and discussion may become intense due to mature subject matter. Students are expected to respect classmate and instructor opinions.

Course Requirements: There are five requirements for a total of 415 points.

Exam 1: 100 points

Deviance Observation Paper: 100 points

Deviance Observation Paper Presentation: 25 points

Group Deviance Theory Assignment: 15

Final Exam: 150 points

Semester Attendance: 25 points

Grading: A=375 points +; B=335 points +; C=295 points +; D=255 points +; out of 415 possible points.

*All grades will be posted on BlackBoard.

Policies/Procedures

Attendance: Attendance will be taken daily. Each student will receive 4 free absences; subsequent absences will reduce the student's attendance points. Students are asked neither to arrive late to lecture, nor to leave early without prior discussion with the instructor.

Late Papers/Make-ups: Late papers will NOT be accepted. There are NO makeup exams.

BlackBoard: Log on to BlackBoard via Morris Library Homepage using your Network ID and password to view class information. Changes to class will be posted via BlackBoard and university email address. Assignments are due via BlackBoard.

Exams: The exams will consist of multiple choice, short answer, and essay questions. Exam 1(100 points) is September 17th and the Final Exam (150 points) is due December 15th.

Emergency Procedures: Emergency Procedures. Southern Illinois University Carbondale is committed to providing a safe and health environment for study and work. Because some health and safety circumstances are beyond our control, we ask that you become familiar with the SIUC Emergency Response Plan and Building Emergency Response Team (BERT) program. Emergency response information is available on posters in buildings on campus, available on BERT's website at www.bert.siu.edu, Department of Safety's website www.dps.siu.edu (disaster drop down), and in Emergency Response Guideline pamphlet. Know how to respond to each type of emergency.

Instructors will provide guidance and direction to students in the classroom in the event of an emergency affecting your location. It is important that you follow these instructions and stay with your instructor during an evacuation or sheltering emergency. The Building Emergency Response Team will provide assistance to your instructor in evacuating the building or sheltering within the facility.

*This syllabus is subject to change.

January 20: Introduction to the Sociology of Deviance; discuss syllabus and class expectations

January 22: Chapter 1 The Nature and Meaning of Deviance

January 25: Chapter 1

January 27: Chapter 2 Deviant Events and Social Control

January 29: Chapter 2

February 1: Chapter 2

February 3: Chapter 3 Becoming a Deviant

February 5: Chapter 3: "Men Who Cheer" by Michelle Bemiller

February 8: Chapter 4 Structural Perspectives on Deviance: Anomie and Conflict Theory

February 10: Chapter 4

February 12: Chapter 4

February 15: Chapter 5 Labeling, Control, and Learning Theories of Deviance

February 17: Chapter 5

February 19: "The Saints and the Roughnecks," by William J. Chambliss

February 22: Exam 1 Review: Chapters 1-5

February 24: **Exam 1:** Chapters 1-5

February 26: Chapter 6 Crimes of Interpersonal Violence (p. 106-Elder Abuse 129)

March 1: Chapter 6 Crimes of Interpersonal Violence (p. 129 -end)

March 3: "Female Violence against Intimate Partners: An Introduction" by Irene Hanson Frieze
"Sexual Assault on Campus" by Elizabeth Armstrong, Laura Hamilton, and Brian Sweeney

March 5: No Class

March 8: Spring Break

March 10: Spring Break

March 12: Spring Break

March 15: Chapter 7 Nonviolent Crime

March 17: Chapter 7

March 19: **In-Class Group Assignment**

March 22: Chapter 8 White Collar and Corporate Crime

March 24: "White-collar prisoners' perceptions of audience reaction" by Mandeep Dhani

March 26: Chapter 9 Drug Use and Addiction (p. 204-233)

March 29: Chapter 9 Drug Use and Addiction (p. 233-end)

March 31: "Recreational Ecstasy Users" by Michelle Gourley

April 2: ****Ask questions about Deviance Observation Paper****

April 5: Chapter 11 Heterosexual Deviance (p. 296-325)

April 7: Chapter 11 Heterosexual Deviance (p. 325 Pornography-end)

April 9: **No Class**, Work on Deviance Observation Paper

April 12: **Deviance Observation Paper DUE**; Presentations

April 14: Chapter 13 Physical Disabilities

April 16: "Stigma Management Strategies among Women with Physical Disabilities: Contrasting Approaches of Downplaying or Claiming a Disability Status" by Diane Taub, Penelope McLorg, and Patricia Fanflik

April 19: Chapter 14 Gays, Lesbians, and Homophobia (p. 404-433)

April 21: Chapter 14 Gays, Lesbians, and Homophobia (p. 433-454)

April 23: "Homophobia and Women's Sport" by Elaine Blinde and Diane Taub

April 26: Chapter 15 Mental Disorders

April 28: "On Being Sane in Insane Places" by Rosenhan

April 30: ****Flex day**** to be used for overlap, run over etc.

May 3: Film (Part 1)

May 5: Film (Part 2)

May 7: Film (Part 3) Final Exam Review: Chapters 6-15, articles, and films

May 11: ***** Final Exam 5:50pm-7:50pm*****