

Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice

CRJU 3323

Online Course

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Course Description

A philosophical and applied knowledge of ethical and moral theories that impact the criminal justice system. Because the nature of criminal justice is control over others, it is imperative that the professional in this discipline understand how this control affects all citizens.

Required Texts

Banks, C. (2020). *Criminal Justice Ethics: Theory and Practice*. (5th ed.). Sage Publications. (ISBN: 9781544353593)

Course Requirements

Class Discussions – Every week throughout the semester discussions will be held. These discussions will revolve around the assigned readings. Participation in the discussions is mandatory and calculated with your participation grade as class participation. **NOTE:** All assignments are due by 11:59 PM CT Sunday of the assigned week.

Weekly Quizzes – There will be a ten (10) question quiz each week based on the assigned chapter in the text book and/or any other assigned reading materials for that particular week. You will have 20 minutes for each quiz which should be more than enough time to complete the ten questions.

Midterm Project – See specific assignment information within the course.

Final Exam – One comprehensive 100 question examination will be given at the end of the semester that will include information presented in the readings, class discussion and information conveyed by the instructor. <u>Make-up exams will not be offered</u>.

Grading Policy and Weighting System

TOTAL	100%
Final Exam	25%
Project	25%
Quizzes	25%
Discussions	25%

Disabled Student Policy

Students with a disability affecting their academic performance are expected to arrange for a conference with the instructor in order that appropriate strategies can be considered to ensure that participation and achievement opportunities are not impaired.

Academic Dishonesty

Each student is expected to abide by the rules of academic honesty as defined in the student handbook. Cases of academic dishonesty will result in a failing grade for the course and a letter to the Dean of the College of Health Sciences and Human Services requesting that you be withdrawn from the University. If there are any questions as to whether an action is academically dishonest please consult with the professor.

Class Schedule

Important Dates to Remember

Project Due: March 26, 2023 Final Exam Due: May 7, 2023 **Unit 1: The Importance of Ethics in Criminal Justice** Reading Assignment: Chapter 1

Unit 2: Police Ethics Reading Assignment: Chapter 2

Unit 3: Police Ethics: Conduct Reading Assignment: Chapter 3

Unit 4: Racial Discrimination Reading Assignment: Chapter 4

Unit 5: Judges and Lawyers Reading Assignment: Chapters 5

Unit 6: Punishment Reading Assignment: Chapter 6

Unit 7: Corrections Reading Assignment: Chapter 7

Unit 8: Corrections: Guarding Ethically Reading Assignment: Chapter 8

Unit 9: Policy Making Reading Assignment: Chapter 9

Unit 10: Terrorism Reading Assignment: Chapter 10

Unit 11: The Media Reading Assignment: Chapter 11

Unit 12: Duty and Principle Reading Assignment: Chapter 12

Unit 13: Consequences Reading Assignment: Chapters 13

Unit 14: Character Reeading Assignment: Chapters 14