

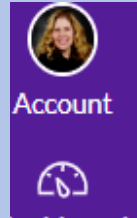
FALL 2021

SOC 230:Criminology

Syllabus

Instructor:

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Class Meetings	Office Hours
SOC 230-01 (81884) Tu Th 11:00AM - 12:15PM, Science Building (SCI) B338	Stevens Point Campus: Tuesday and Thursday 10:00-10:50 AM in Science B331 and on Zoom
SOC 230-02 (81885) Tu Th 12:30PM - 1:45PM, Science Building (SCI) B338	
SOC 230-M01 (81754) Mo We 11:00AM - 12:15PM, Marshfield Campus - Room 466	Marshfield Campus: Wednesday 10:00-10:50 AM in room 427 and on Zoom
SOC 230-W01 (81759) Mo We 11:00AM - 12:15PM, Wausau Campus - Room 238	Wausau Campus: Monday 10:00 -10:50 AM in room 317 and on Zoom

General Courses Information

Class Description

This class offers an analysis of crime as an institution, with reference to behavior of those who define, engage in, or become the victims of criminal behavior. The primary objective of this course is to provide students with a general understanding of the field of criminology. This class is a sociology class, which focuses on crime and criminal behavior. The focus of this class will be the examination of criminological theories of crime and criminal behavior. We also will examine criminological research, the history of criminology as a discipline, and the nature, extent, and patterns of crime and criminal behavior. This is not a law, corrections, or policing course; and while we may cover some topics related to these areas, it is first and foremost a theory course.

Course Learning Outcomes

The primary objective of this course is to provide students with a general understanding of the field of criminology.

The courses learning outcomes are:

1. Examine and describe the history of criminology as a discipline
2. Examine, understand, and describe criminological theories of crime and criminal behavior.
3. Examine, and describe criminological research and research ethics in criminology.

Social Science GEP Learning Outcomes

This course meets the GEP Investigation level Social Science requirement. The social science learning outcomes are:

1. Explain or apply major concepts, methods, or theories used in the social sciences to investigate, analyze, or predict human behavior.
2. Examine and explain how social, cultural, or political institutions influence individuals or groups.

Course Structure

This is a hybrid class which means that some of the class will require students to complete class work online instead of in the classroom. This includes, but is not limited to, videos, assignments, discussions, and exams. All out of class activities and assignments will be submitted on [Canvas](#). I will not accept any assignments completed outside of class in any other form (no paper or e-mail submissions). Approximately one-fourth of the course is online (eight classes) while three-fourths occurs face-to-face.

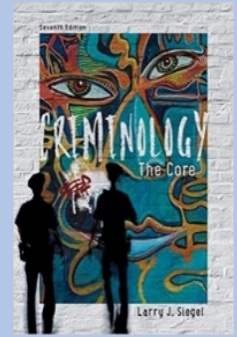
The online portion of the class will be delivered through the course management system Canvas. You will use your UWSP account to login to the course from the [Canvas Login Page](#). If you have not activated your UWSP account, please visit the [Manage Your Account](#) page to do so. All assignments and essays will be submitted on Canvas. Be sure to read ALL Canvas announcements.

A large portion of this class will be devoted to discussion and group activities. Students are expected to have completed the assigned readings prior to coming to class (see schedule of readings attached and on Canvas). Students are expected to contribute their viewpoints and opinions during class discussions. Due to the active role students play in this course, regular attendance is strongly encouraged. While attendance may not be checked daily, excessive absence will negatively affect your final grade. Students are responsible for all information and assignments missed during their absences--including announcements concerning any changes in the course schedule.

Course Materials

Required Text: *Siegel, Larry J. Criminology: The Core* 7th edition is the required textbook. ISBN: 9781337557719

Students will also read articles, view film, audio and video clips posted on Canvas. Please also see Canvas for Daily Overview, Daily Materials and Daily Task



Student Expectations

In this course you will be expected to complete the following tasks:

- log into Canvas
- read all class announcements
- read textbook
- communicate via email
- complete basic internet searches
- download and upload documents to the Canvas LMS
- read documents online
- view online videos

Course Technology Requirements

You will need a **stable internet connection** (do not rely on cellular) to participate in this course. A webcam and a microphone may prove useful for virtual office hours.

Technical Assistance.

If you need technical assistance at any time during the course or to report a problem with Canvas you can click the Help button near bottom left of Canvas navigation screen. There, you have the following options:

- Ask a question of your instructor
- Email Canvas personnel
- Chat with Canvas personnel

You can also look up [Canvas guides](#) for documentation on issues, seek assistance from the IT Service Desk at 715-346-HELP (4357), 1-877-832-8977, or itsvdesk@uwsp.edu

Students with Disabilities

The University has a legal responsibility to provide accommodations and program access as mandated by Section 54 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The university's philosophy is to not only provide what is mandated but also convey its genuine concern for one's total well-being. If accommodations are needed, please contact the instructor as well as the Disability and Assistive Technology Center (DATC), located on the Stevens Point campus. DATC contact information:

(715) 346-3365 (Voice)

(715) 346-3362 (TDD only)

or via email at datctr@uwsp.edu

Class Assignments

Chapter Quizzes (100 points) There are eight short quizzes (true false/multiple) over each assigned chapter from your textbook. Your top four-chapter quizzes count towards your final grade. All quizzes are due the class after the material is covered. Please see class schedule or calendar for due dates.

Discussions (75 points): There are three required discussions assigned throughout the semester.

Exams (300 points) Three exams will be given during the semester plus a comprehensive final exam. The exams will cover information from class lectures, audio-visual materials, and the readings indicated on the course schedule. You are responsible for all readings even if they are not discussed specifically in class. Dates for exams are on the course schedule. Any changes in exam dates will be posted in the Canvas announcements. Each of these exams is worth 100 points. Students have the option of either dropping the lowest exam score or not taking the final. Exam format will be discussed during class. Makeup exams will only be allowed for *documented* emergencies and health concerns. Please consult with me if this is needed

Essays (100 points): There are seven essay assignments, which will be assigned on online class days throughout the semester. Student are required to complete two of these essays. It is recommended that students complete at least one essay before the midterm.

Grades: Letter grades will be assigned based on the percentage of the possible points that are earned. The point system may be revised. Bring your syllabus and reading schedule to class so you can note any changes.

A	93-100	B-	80-82	D+	67-69
A-	90-92	C+	77-79	D	60-66
B+	87-89	C	73-76	F	59 & below
B	83-86	C-	70-72		

Late Policy

Be sure to pay close attention to deadlines posted on Canvas—there will be no make-up assignments or quizzes, and late work will not be accepted without a serious and compelling reason and instructor approval.

Rights and Responsibilities

This class will adhere to all guidelines established in the UWSP Community Rights and Responsibilities. If you are not fully aware of these rights and responsibilities please see the Student Rights and Responsibilities available in PDF format at <http://www.uwsp.edu/dos/Pages/Student-Conduct.aspx> , specifically you may wish to examine Chapter 14—Student Academic Standards and Disciplinary Procedures .

Canvas Policy

All class assignments, course material, and grades will be posted on [Canvas](#). Students are expected to check Canvas often. Any errors or concerns regarding Canvas postings must be discussed with the instructor within a week of posting for any grade change to be considered. If you have not used Canvas before, please go through the Canvas area under the Student Resources module within the first week of class.

Optional Reading in the Disciplines Section

To help you succeed in this course, you may choose to enroll in an optional one-credit, pass-fail Reading in the Disciplines (RID) section. This section will meet once a week with a student facilitator to discuss the readings for Sociology 230. You may register for one of these courses via AccesSPoint. This discussion course starts Week 3. For more information, please contact Amanda Meidl in the Tutoring-Learning Center (TLC) Amanda.Meidl@uwsp.edu.



Cell Phones and all other devices (tablets, laptops, etc.) are to be turned off or silenced during class. Please be sure these devices are put away out of view during class; there is no text messaging, web browsing, etc., during class.

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week	Boer campus	date	description	reading	assignment	Column
WEEK ONE	no class until next week, please feel free to start reading			Chapter 1		
WEEK TWO	Wausau	Wednesday, 9/8	Chapter 1, and Quiet Rage	Chapter 1		
WEEK THREE	Mashfeild	Monday, 9/13	The Nature and Extent of Crime	Chapter 2	ch. 1 quiz due	
	ONLINE	Wednesday, 9/15	Online class -assignment available on Canvas 9 AM		Ch. 2 quiz due	
WEEK FOUR	Wausau	Monday, 9/20	Victims and Victimization	Chapter 3		
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 9/22	Victims and Victimization		Ch. 3 quiz due	
WEEK FIVE	ONLINE	Monday, 9/27	Online class -assignment available on Canvas 9 AM			
	ONLINE	Wednesday, 9/29	EXAM REVIEW ONLINE BY 9 AM			
WEEK SIX	Wausau	Monday, 10/4	EXAM 1 over chapters 1, 2 and 3 and all material posted on Canvas	Chapter 4		
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 10/6	Choice Theory	Chapter 4	Ch.4 quiz due	
WEEK SEVEN	Wausua	Monday, 10/11	Trait Theory	Chapter 5		
	ONLINE	Wednesday, 10/14	Online class - available on Canvas 9 AM		Ch. 5 quiz due	
WEEK EIGHT	Wausau	Monday, 10/18	Social Structure Theory	Chapter 6		
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 10/20	Social Structure Theory	Chapter 6		
WEEK NINE	Wausau	Monday, 10/25	Social Structure Theories			
	ONLINE	Wednesday, 10/27	Online class-assignment available on Canvas 9 AM		Ch. 6 quiz due	

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WEEK TEN	Wausau	Monday, 11/1	Exam 2 Review			
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 11/3	Exam 2 over chapters 4, 5, 6 and all material posted on Canvas after exam 1	Chapter7		
WEEK ELEVEN	Wausau	Monday, 11/8	Social Process Theories	Chapter 7		
	ONLINE	Wednesday, 11/10	Online class-assignment available on Canvas 9AM	Chapter 7	Ch. 7 quiz due	
WEEK TWELVE	ONLINE	Monday, 11/15	Online class 11/15-assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	chapter 10		
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 11/17	Violence	Chapter 10		
WEEK THIRTEEN	ONLINE	Monday, 11/22	Online class-assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	Chapter 10	Ch. 10 quiz due	
	BREAK	Wednesday, 11/24	Thanksgiving break			
WEEK FOURTEEN	Wausau	Monday, 11/29	Exam 3 Review			
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 12/01	Exam 3 over chapter 7 and 10 and all material posted on Canvas after exam 2			
WEEK FIFTEEN	Wausau	Monday, 12/6	Student consultations/Final Exam Review			
	Marshfeild	Wednesday, 12/8	Student consultations/Final Exam Review			
FINAL EXAMS			TBA			
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week	date	description	reading
WEEK ONE	Tuesday, 9/2	Crime and Criminology, Intro to class	Chapter 1
WEEK TWO	Tuesday, 9/7	Theories of Crime	Chapter 1
	Thursday, 9/9	ONLINEclass 1 -assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	Chapter 2
WEEK THREE	Tuesday, 9/14	The Nature and Extent of Crime	Chapter 2
	Thursday, 9/16	ONLINE class 2 -assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	
WEEK FOUR	Tuesday, 9/21	Victims and Victimization	Chapter 3
	Thursday, 9/23	Victims and Victimization cont.	
WEEK FIVE	Tuesday, 9/28	ONLINE class 3-assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	
	Thursday, 9/30	ONLINE - EXAM review available by 9 AM	
WEEK SIX	Tuesday, 10/5	Exam 1 over chapters 1, 2 and 3 and all material posted on Canvas	
	Thursday, 10/7	Choice Theory	Chapter 4
WEEK SEVEN	Thursday, 10/12	Trait Theory	Chapter 5
	Thursday, 10/15	ONLINE class 4 - available on Canvas 9 AM	
WEEK EIGHT	Tuesday, 10/19	Social Structure Theory	Chapter 6
	Thursday, 10/21	Social Structure Theory	Chapter 6
WEEK NINE	Tuesday, 10/26	Social Structure Theories	
	Thursday, 10/28	ONLINE class 5 -assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	
WEEK TEN	Tuesday, 11/2	Exam 2 Review	
	Thursday, 11/4	Exam 2 over chapters 4, 5, 6 and all material posted on Canvas after exam 1	

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WEEK ELEVEN	Tuesday, 11/9	Social Process Theories	Chapter 7
	Thursday, 11/11	ONLINE class 6-assignment available on Canvas 9AM	Chapter 7
WEEK TWELVE	Tuesday, 11/16	ONLINE class 7-assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	chapter 10
	Thursday, 11/18	Violence	Chapter 10
WEEK THIRTEEN	Tuesday, 11/23	ONLINE class 8-assignment available on Canvas 9 AM	Chapter 10
	Thursday, 11/25	Thanksgiving break	
WEEK FOURTEEN	Tuesday, 11/30	Exam 3 Review	
	Thursday, 12/02	Exam 3 over chapter 7 and 10 and all material posted on Canvas after exam 2	
WEEK FIFTEEN	Tuesday, 12/7	Student consultations	
	Thursday, 12/9	Final exam review, the Final review cover all chapter covered in the class	
FINAL EXAMS	section 1	TBA	
	section 2	TBA	

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assignment
Canvas orientation quiz
ch. 1 quiz due 9/14
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Ch. 2 quiz due 9/21
due 9/21
Ch. 3 quiz due 9/28
due 10/5
Ch.4 quiz due 10/12
Ch. 5 quiz due 10/19
due 10/19
Ch. 6 quiz due

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