



# SOC 230: Criminology

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## Instructor

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## General Information

Description

Analysis of crime as an institution, with reference to behavior of those who define, engage in, or become the victims of criminal behavior.

## Student Expectations

In this course you will be expected to complete the following task.

- read textbook
- communicate via email
- complete basic internet searches
- download and upload documents to the Canvas LMS
- read documents online
- view online videos
- participate in online discussions
- complete quizzes and tests online
- upload documents in Canvas

## Course Learning Outcomes

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

1. The courses learning outcomes are:
2. Examine and describe the history of criminology as a discipline
3. Examine, understand and describe criminological theories of crime and criminal behavior.
4. Apply criminological theories to social policy or real world-scenarios.
5. 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 course will be delivered entirely online 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 Canvas announcement every day.

## Course Materials

- Required Text: Siegel, Larry J. Criminology: The Core 7th edition is the required textbook
- Students will also read articles, view film and video clips posted on Canvas.
- Please also see Canvas for Daily Overview, Daily Materials and Daily Task

## Course Technology Requirements

You will need a **stable internet connection** (don't 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 (Formerly HELP Desk)

### 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 in 609 LRC. DATC contact information:

(715) 346-3365 (Voice), (715) 346-3362 (TDD only), or via email at [datctr@uwsp.edu](mailto:datctr@uwsp.edu)

### Grades

The instructor will work with you in any way possible to assist all students affected by the pandemic. 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

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

### Late Policy and Flexibility due to COVID-19

Please pay close attention to deadlines posted on Canvas. Typically, no make-up assignments are accepted without a serious and compelling reason and instructor approval. However, **please know that COVID-19 or other health-related issues are compelling reasons to request extended deadlines, and such requests will be accepted.** If you or your family are impacted by COVID-19, please speak to the instructor as soon as possible.

### 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 .

