Introduction to Corrections CJS*K102

Syllabus

Thursday 6:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. Mohegan Campus Room 306

Fall Semester 2006

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The Instructor reserves the right to modify the syllabus to best meet the class objectives.

August 31, 2006

DISCUSSION: Introduction of Course / Objectives

Layout of Classroom/Expectations (Yours/Mine/Ours)

Syllabus / Assignments

Materials / Text – Exploring Corrections In America
1" Three Ring Binder / Dividers

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 1 and 2

Current Event

<u>September 7, 2006</u>

DISCUSSION: Understanding Corrections and History of Corrections.

Current Events

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 3
Current Event

September 14, 2006

DISCUSSION: Corrections and Courts

Current Events

REVIEW: Review For Quiz #1 (Chapters 1,2,3)

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 4
Current Event

September 21, 2006

DISCUSSION: Jails

Current Events

QUIZ: Quiz #1 – Chapters 1,2,3

Assignment For Next Week:

Writing Assignment #1 Read Chapter 5 and 6

Current Event

<u>September 28, 2006</u>

DISCUSSION: Community Corrections and Dimensions of Community Justice.

Current Events

ASSIGNMENT DUE: Writing Assignment #1

REVIEW: Review for Quiz #2 (Chapters 4,5,6)

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 7
Current Event

October 5, 2006

DISCUSSION: Prisons: An American Institution

Current Events

QUIZ: Quiz #2 – Chapters 4,5,6

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 8 Current Event

October 12, 2006

DISCUSSION: Offenders and Inmates

Current Events

REVIEW: Review for Quiz #3 (Chapters 7,8)

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 9 Current Event

October 19, 2006

DISCUSSION: Women Offenders and Correctional Workers

Current Events

QUIZ: Quiz #3 – Chapters 7,8

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 10 Current Event

October 26, 2006

DISCUSSION: Juvenile Corrections

Current Events

Assignment For Next Week:

Writing Assignment #2

Read Chapter 11 Current Event

November 2, 2006

DISCUSSION: Special Populations in Prison

Current Events

ASSIGNMENT DUE: Writing Assignment #2

REVIEW: Review for Quiz #4 (Chapters 9,10,11)

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 12 and 13

Current Event

November 9, 2006

DISCUSSION: Correctional Officers and Correctional Counselors

Current Events

QUIZ: Quiz #4 – Chapters 9,10,11

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 15 Current Event

November 16, 2006

DISCUSSION: The Death Penalty in America

Current Events

REVIEW: Review for Quiz #5 (Chapters 12,13,15)

Assignment For Next Week:

Read Chapter 16 Current Event

November 23, 2006 – THANKSGIVING BREAK – NO CLASS!!!

November 30, 2006

DISCUSSION: The Evolution of Corrections: What Does the Future Hold

Current Events

QUIZ: Quiz #5 – Chapters 12, 13, 15

REVIEW: Review for Presentations / Review Portfolio Criteria

Assignment For Next Week:

Be Prepared For Presentation Be Prepared To Turn In Portfolio

Current Event

December 7, 2006

DISCUSSION: Current Event

PRESENTATIONS: Presentations To Be Completed

REVIEW: Review for Final Exam, Portfolios Collected

Assignment For Next Week:

Study For Final Exam.

December 14, 2006 – FINAL EXAM

Assignments:

Examinations – 25%

Exams will cover **ALL** material discussed in class, including readings, current event topics and any research. Quizzes are not cumulative; the final exam is a compilation of all quizzes. It is strongly recommended that you take notes and ask questions.

Writing Assignments – 25%

All papers are expected to be typed utilizing 12 font, be double spaced with 1" margins. You must ensure proper citation. All sources must be documented. Interviews, research, Internet and any other source you utilize in your paper must be cited. All papers are to be stapled in the upper left hand corner. Page numbers are to be utilized. All papers must have a cover sheet and reference page that are not included as part of the total count of the paper. (example: a five page paper is five pages in length PLUS a cover page and reference page(s)). Each paper should be proof read before turning in and MUST have a cover page

No late papers will be accepted. Papers are due on the date that they are assigned. If there is a problem, please inform the Instructor. There are many ways to assure that your paper is on time – e mail, fax, mail (in the annex) or during an arranged meeting time.

Writing Assignment #1:

Write a paper based on the topic you picked from the selection provided in class. You can use this article as a foundation and research further. This paper is to be a minimum of four pages. All papers will be graded for proper grammar, format, style and spelling as well as content. All papers should be proof read and **MUST** have a cover page (no binders), stapled, be double spaced, typed, include all citations and a bibliography. Late papers will not be accepted. It is your responsibility to make sure the paper is turned in on or before the due date.

Writing Assignment #2:

Report on the historical evolution of probation and/or parole in the United States. What is their role as part of the correctional system? What is the difference between the two? What are the similarities? All papers will be graded for proper format, style and spelling as well as content. All papers should be proof read and **MUST** have a cover page (no binders), stapled, be double spaced, typed, include citations and a bibliography. Late papers will not be accepted. It is your responsibility to make sure the paper is turned in on or before the due date.

Remember – plagiarism is a crime. Make sure you use proper citation.

Presentation – 25%

This component will include a research and oral presentation. The topic (which will be from an area of Corrections) will be researched, a professional from a particular area will be interviewed and an oral presentation will be given to the class. This presentation will include a Power Point Presentation. The paper that is used for your presentation will be turned in as part of this assignment. Your oral presentation is to be ten minutes in length. Your paper is to be a minimum of five pages (not including graphs, charts, photos, etc.)

Current Events / Portfolio – 25%

<u>Current Events:</u> Current events are to be completed each week. A copy of the article is to be neatly attached to be a sheet of paper and on the reverse side a summary of the article is to be typed. These will be collected each week, marked off as complete and returned to be placed in your portfolio.

Portfolio: Each student must obtain a 1" three (3) ring binder as part of the required materials for this course. This binder will be used to prepare documents throughout the semester, ultimately submitting the portfolio for a final grade at the close of the semester. Do not take this assignment as a "homework folder". This portfolio will be representative of your professional work efforts. This should also assist in preparing yourself for future classes in a college setting.

- The portfolio is to be divided into the following sections:
 - 1) Writing Assignments
 - 2) Homework / Study Guide Material (as assigned)
 - 3) Ouizzes
 - 4) Current Events
 - 5) Research Paper / Oral Presentation
- All documents / sections are to be neatly and readily identifiable, including a Cover Page with: Course Name, Student Name, Course Identification, and Instructor Name.
- Portfolio should be available for review at anytime during scheduled classes.