

Syllabus

Deviant Sub Cultures
Undergraduate Class

Summer I 2015

Problems Call 432-837-8166, or Better – rhunter@sulross.edu. The email hits my phone like a text message.

Description:

This course examines the roots, structures, habits, and sociological implications of deviant subcultures. The most obvious example of a deviant subculture are Criminal Gangs, either Street Gangs or Prison Gangs. We look at the sociological, political and policy implications of these groups.

Student Objectives:

Students will through readings and discussions demonstrate a working knowledge of the sociological causes of deviant subcultures, as well as, the impact of these subcultures on modern society.

Exams:

There will be two exams a Mid-Term Exam and a Final Exam. Each exam is worth 35% or 70% for both. The Discussion Board is worth 30%.

Discussion Boards:

Worth – 30% for a total of 100% of the grade.

Check for new discussion topics often!!

Student Presentations

Each student will do a presentation within the Discussion Board format. The presentation will focus on one deviant subculture group of the student's choice. The Student's choice will have to be reviewed and approved before it is placed in the Discussion Board.

Topic must be into Dr. Hunter no later than June 10th!!!!!!

Exam Dates:

Exam 1 – June 13th (will cover all of book 1)
Exam 2 – July 1st (will cover all of book 2)

Both Exams (multiple Choice and True/False)

All exams will have at least 24hour time frame. I will both post and email when they are open.

Questions or Problems:

Computer problems call the help desk
All other stuff email me rhunter@sulross.edu

Books:

(Book 1) Gangs in America III
Huff
Sage Publications
ISBN: 0-7619-2424-8

(Book 2) A World of Gangs
Hagedorn
Univ. of Minnesota Press
ISBN: 0-8166-5066-7

CJ Learning Objectives

PLO 1. Demonstrated knowledge of specific areas of the U.S. Constitution as it relates to specific legal liabilities of criminal justice professionals. The ability to identify, assess, and compare Constitutional protections and individual rights and recognize violations of those Rights. Workable knowledge of the most significant legal challenges to criminal justice policy and the resulting changes to those policies.

PLO 2. Demonstrate knowledge of Criminological theories, and apply those theories to practical criminal justice events. The ability to identifying a prominent criminological theory within an actual criminal event or simulated criminal event. The ability to compare and contrast the basic concepts of the differing competing Criminological Theories.

PLO 3. Working knowledge of the specific language of the Criminal Justice and the ability to identify the individual parts of the CJ System. An awareness of the costs associated with the Criminal Justice System, and the ability to recognize and be aware of political influence on the system. The ability to apply historical knowledge of the CJ system and recognize patterns of system change.

Summer 1, Deviant Subcultures Weekly Agenda

June 2nd

Class starts, Introductions, Black Board Discussions started.

Students begin selecting their presentation topics.

June 8th

Presentations Start

June 15th

Midterm Exam 1 – June 13th (will cover all of Book 1)

Presentations

Black Board Discussions

June 22

Presentations

Black Board Discussions

June 29th

Exam 2 – July 1st Final Exam (will cover all of book 2)

Presentations

Black Board Discussions

July 4th – July 7th

Black Board Discussions

Last Presentations – Class ends.