

Syllabus

Deviant Sub Cultures
Graduate Class

Summer I 2015

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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

CJ PLO 1 Ability to identify, assess and compare policy processes and outcomes in criminal justice. Ability to identify and analyze various legal challenges to laws and policies within criminal justice.

CJ PLO 2. Applicable knowledge of specific Criminological theories. The ability to identify and apply Criminological theories to criminal events. A working skill set of Criminological theory, with the ability to compare and contrast competing theoretical arguments.

CJ PLO 3. Develop a working knowledge of the process and application of the methods of scientific research. The ability to critique a piece of research based on its methodology. Develop the ability to apply research to Criminal Justice and Homeland Security policy.

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.