

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS
NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

DATE OCTOBER 25, 2006
PROGRAM AREA SOCIOLOGY

1. Catalog Description of the Course. *[Follow accepted catalog format.]*

Prefix SOC Course# 370 Title CRIME AND SOCIETY Units (3)

3 hours lecture per week

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☒ Prerequisites SOC 100, SOC 201, SOC 202

☐ Corequisites

Description Examination of forms, causes and the extent of crime in the United States. Focuses on why people break the law, the genesis of norms, and how the law is applied.

☐ Gen Ed
Categories

Graded
☐ CR/NC

☐ Repeatable for up to units

☐ Lab Fee Required

☒ A - F
☐ Optional (Student's choice)

Total Completions Allowed
☐ Multiple Enrollment in same semester

2. Mode of Instruction.

	Units	Hours per Unit	Benchmark Enrollment	Graded Component	CS # (filled in by Dean)
Lecture	3	1	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Seminar				<input type="checkbox"/>	
Laboratory				<input type="checkbox"/>	
Activity				<input type="checkbox"/>	

3. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course. (Indicate whether required or elective, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) *[Use as much space as necessary]*
This course will be a part of the new Institutions Emphasis in the major.

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Analyze the media critically as regards the presentation of crime;
- Explain the difference between various sociological theories of crime;
- Identify the process of how behaviors become criminalized;
- Demonstrate understanding of social inequalities to criminality and social control.

4. Is this a General Education Course YES ☐ NO ☒
If Yes, indicate GE category and attach GE Criteria Form:

A (English Language, Communication, Critical Thinking)

- A-1 Oral Communication ☐
A-2 English Writing ☐
A-3 Critical Thinking ☐

B (Mathematics, Sciences & Technology)

- B-1 Physical Sciences ☐
B-2 Life Sciences – Biology ☐
B-3 Mathematics – Mathematics and Applications ☐
B-4 Computers and Information Technology ☐

C (Fine Arts, Literature, Languages & Cultures)

- C-1 Art ☐
C-2 Literature Courses ☐
C-3a Language ☐
C-3b Multicultural ☐

D (Social Perspectives)

- E (Human Psychological and Physiological Perspectives)** ☐
UD Interdisciplinary ☐

5. Course Content in Outline Form. *[Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]*

- (I) Introduction
- (II) Biological/Psychological/Sociological Explanations of Crime and Criminality
- (III) White Collar/Corporate Crime
- (IV) Organized Crime
- (V) Sexual Violence and Hate Crimes
- (VI) War Crimes, Government crime, terrorism
- (VII) Policing, Sentencing, Punishment

Does this course overlap a course offered in your academic program? YES ☐ NO ☒

If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?

Does this course overlap a course offered in another academic area? YES ☒ NO ☐

If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap? PSY 457. Criminal Behavior. Criminal behavior focuses on the psychology of individuals. SOC 370 focuses on the structure of crime and the impact of group membership in being a perpetrator or victim.

Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required on the signature sheet below.

6. Cross-listed Courses (Please fill out separate form for each PREFIX)

List Cross-listed Courses

Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required on the signature sheet below.

Department responsible for staffing: Sociology

7. References. *[Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]*

Berger, Free and Searles, Crime, Justice and Society, McGraw-Hill, 2000

Scarpitti and Nielsen (eds), Crime and Criminals, Roxbury Press, 1999.

Barbara Owen, In the Mix: Struggle and Survival in a Women's Prison. SUNY Series on Crime. 1998

Jeffrey Reiman, The Rich get Richer and the Poor get Prison: Ideology, Class and Criminal Justice. Allyn and Bacon, 2001.

8. List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.

Sociology Faculty

9. Frequency.

a. Projected semesters to be offered: Fall ☒ Spring ☒ Summer ☐

10. New Resources Required. YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, list the resources needed and obtain signatures from the appropriate programs/units on the sheet below.

a. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment)

b. Library needs

c. Facility/space needs

11. Will this new course alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program? YES ☒ NO ☐

If, YES attach a program modification form for all programs affected.

Elizabeth Hartung

Proposer of Course

10/8/2006

Date

Approval Sheet

Program/Course: SOC 370

Program Chair(s)	Date
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Overlap Chair (s)	Date
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General Education Chair(s)	Date
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Curriculum Committee Chair(s)	Date
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Dean of Faculty	Date
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