Crime and Deviance

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Course Description:
This course will introduce students to the key theories of crime, deviance and social control. Students will learn about both classical and contemporary theoretical explanations of crime and deviant behaviour and how these theories are reflected in our current criminal justice system. We will cover a wide range of issues and case studies, including crimes against animals, violence against women, environmental crime, race and crime, and crime in the media. By the end of the course, students will be able to identify the various theoretical approaches to crime and deviance, as well as critically analyze and evaluate these approaches in relation to contemporary sociological issues.

Required Resources May Include:

Additional journal articles/book chapters as assigned.

*This course will be offered fully online and blended (a mix of "real-time" and asynchronous sessions). Synchronous ("real-time") lectures will take place Thursday’s from 2:30 – 4:50.