INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Garry C. Gray

Course Description and Objectives

What is a crime? What constitutes deviant behaviour? What are the major agencies involved in the control of crime and deviance? How effective are they? In this course, students will be encouraged to question and to think critically about criminal justice policies and practices. Students will also be presented with different theories and explanations of crime and deviance, as well as a wide range of topics.

Skills Development

The course will provide students with the theoretical skills to evaluate policies on crime and deviance, as well as guidance on how to communicate criminological research to the general public. Overall, students will learn how to think and respond as a criminologist when confronted with different types of crime and deviant behaviour.

Required Textbook


** Please note that in-person lectures will NOT be recorded and posted online.

** The above outline is only intended to give an overall sense of the course. Detailed course outlines will be made available for all registered students on the first day of class. Only those outlines are to be considered official.