

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix & Number: SLGY 204

Credit hours: 3

Course Title: Sociology of Deviance

Course Prerequisites: None

Textbook(s): Inderbitzin. *Deviance and Social Control*. eBook. Sage Publications.

Course Description: This course introduces students to the vocabulary and logical paradigms, criminologists, and other scholars used to evaluate the social world, with a particular focus on behaviors, attitudes, and beliefs that fall outside of the mainstream in American society. Topics include sociological theories of crime and criminalization, essentialism and constructionism in defining deviance, formal and informal social control, poverty and stigma, white collar crime, drug use, sexuality, paranormal beliefs, mental disorders, disability and obesity, and Islamophobia and anti-Semitism. The Louisiana Statewide Common Course Catalog name and number for this course are CCRJ 2513: Deviance and CSOC 2313: Sociology of Deviance.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the student will:

- A. identify and describe the major sociological theories of crime and deviance;
- B. recognize the conceptual distinction between crime and deviance;
- C. recall and describe key data sources for social science research on crime and deviance;
- D. identify and recall sociological concepts relating to deviance and be able to apply them to the social world;
- E. comprehend main ideas and supporting details of college level reading materials.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

- 1. read and differentiate between social science approaches to the study of crime and deviance, key concepts, and theoretical relevancy in contemporary life; (A, B, E)
- 2. identify key contributions of research on crime and deviance in the field of sociology; (C)
- 3. recall in writing the major concepts covered in each chapter; (D, E)
- 4. read and analyze the sociological components and processes reflected in written accounts of deviance in everyday life from a text; (B, D, E)
- 5. read and analyze written materials for purpose, tone, audience, bias, and
- 6. point of view. (E)

Course Requirements: The following are intended to help the learner meet the stated learning outcomes of the course: students will attend class; students will be evaluated on results of semester exams; students will be required to participate in class discussions and activities.

Course Grading Scale:

- A 90-100%
- B 80-89%
- C 70-79%
- D 60-69%
- F 59% or below

Course Fees: None

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