

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: SOC-600 Sociology of Deviance

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
SOC-600	Sociology of Deviance	5
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall or Spring	42	Graduate Standing
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Upper Division	English

Course Description

Types of Deviance, Conceptions of Deviance, Consensus and Conflict, Normative Culture, Social Control, Correlates of Deviance, Biological and Psychopathological Explanations, Control Theories, Learning Theory, Deviant Subcultures, Labeling Theory, Strain Theory, Functionalism, Conflict Theory, Suicide, Organized Crime, Mental Disorders, Sexual Deviance, Drug Use.

Instructor

Dr Stelios Stylianou

Course Aims and Objectives

This course is a graduate level introduction to the sociology of deviance. It provides a general background necessary for advanced work in the area of deviance and social control. Students completing the course are expected (1) to have acquired a thorough understanding of the basic concepts involved in the sociological study of deviance, (2) to have acquired knowledge of the most important theories of deviance and (3) to be able to use these theories in their thinking about deviance in general and in analyzing some special forms of deviance.

Teaching Methods

Interactive lectures, discussions, student presentations

Course Teaching Hours

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Fall and Spring semesters in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

Evaluation and Grading

Three essays:	60%
Book summary and presentation:	20%
Class Participation:	20%

Readings and Resources

Required Textbook

Tittle, Charles R. and Raymond Paternoster. 2000. *Social Deviance and Crime: An Organizational and Theoretical Approach* Los Angeles: Roxbury
Clinard, Marshall B. and Robert F. Meier. 1998. *Sociology of Deviant Behavior (10/e)* Fort Worth: Harcourt Brace
Various journal articles and book chapters

Recommended Reading

Goffman, Erving. 1963. *Stigma* New York: Touchstone
Messner, Steven F., and Richard Rosenfeld. 1994. *Crime and the American Dream* Belmont: Wadsworth
Thompson, Kenneth. 1998. *Moral Panics* London: Routledge
Goffman, Erving. 1961. *Asylums* Garden City: Anchor Books
Phoenix, Joanna. 1999. *Making Sense of Prostitution* Hampshire: Palgrave
Goode, Erich. 1997. *Between Politics and Reason: The Drug Legalization Debate* New York: St. Martin's Press