

Crime, Politics & Society – Sociology 308

This course will meet on Tuesdays for Lectures in Parkes 223 and Thursdays for Discussion Groups in Annenberg G30 (last names A-L) and Annenberg G32 (H-Z). The first class on Thurs-September 27 will meet in Annenberg G30&G32.

Discussion group material will be covered on exams and participation will influence border line decisions about final course marks.

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Office Hours: 11-12 TU/TH

Texts:

Who Are the Criminals? The Politics of Crime Policy from the Age of Roosevelt to the Age of Reagan. Princeton University Press. (John Hagan)

Darfur and the Crime of Genocide. Cambridge University Press. (John Hagan & Wenona Rymond-Richmond)

Additional Readings on Blackboard

Evaluation: Optional ten page paper on politics of crime

(10%, reducing exam weight by 5%)

Exams: Mid-Term (40%) & Final (60%)

Readings & Lectures

Sept 27(TH) Introduction – Meets in Annenberg Discussion Group Classrooms

Oct 2 (TU) Washington Stories/President's Report (WC1-30)(Rockefeller)

Lecture: Is Don Draper a Criminal?

4(TH) Street Crimes & Suite Misdemeanors (WC31-68; Story of a Suicide)

9(TU) Crime, Age of Roosevelt (WC69-100; MFY, President's Committee)

Lecture: "If the President Does It, ... It's Not a Crime"

11(TH) Crime, Age of Reagan (WC101-136; The Iran-Contra Affair)

16(TU) Fears of the Street (WC138-167; Brown v. Plata; Women Street Stops)

Lecture: The California Prison Crisis

18(TH) Freeing the Suites (WC168-212; Insider Trading Part of the Fabric?)

23(TU) The Age of Obama? (WC257-266/Afterword; The Street Fighter)

Lecture: A Perfect Storm of Financial Crime

25 (TH) Mid-Term Exam

30 (TU) Darfur Crime Scenes (DG1-30; A Darfur Primer)

Lecture: The Atrocities Documentation Survey

Nov 1 (TH) The Crime of Crimes (DG31-56; Dying in Darfur)

6 (TU) While Criminology Slept (DG57-78; Raphael Lempkin)

Lecture: Rape and Displacement in Darfur

8 (TH) Flip-Flopping Darfur (DG79-104; Death & Displacement in Darfur)

13 (TU) Eyewitnessing Genocide (DG105-136; A History of Violence)

Lecture: Iraq & Crimes of Pre-Emptive War

15 (TH) Rolling Genocide (DG137-60); Crime Wars/War Crimes (WC213-56)

20 (TU) The Racial Spark (DG161-193; TBA)

Lecture: Hidden Sentences

Nov 22-27 Thanksgiving

Nov 29 (TU) No Charges ... Deaths involving CIA; Secret 'Kill List'

Dec 4-6 Reading Week

Dec 10-14 Final Exam