

# School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT SOC 250-002

# Sociology of Deviance

Quarter or Semester/Year

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/soc.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

#### 1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Dr. Paul Brady	
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### 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by Camosun College's Education Council.)

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Describe how theories and ideas about deviance and social control have changed and been understood from earlier pre-scientific approaches to the rationalism and science of the present day.
- Apply the major theoretical perspectives on deviance and social control including the Classical, Functionalist, Physiological, Social Learning, Interactionist, Marxist, Feminist, and Postmodern theories and will be able to apply these various theoretical perspectives to the analysis and understanding of contemporary deviance and social control.
- Scrutinize and critically assess presentations of deviance by various social control agencies including the mass media of film, television and the press.

### 3. Required Materials

#### (a) Texts

Linda B Deutschmann. **Deviance and Social Control**. Fourth Edition, Scarborough, Ontario: Nelson Canada, 2007. ISBN# 0-17-640611-5.

Textbook Website and Study Guide: http://www.deviance4e.nelson.com/

Films and videos to be announced in class.

### (b) Other

#### 4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

### **TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE**

Week 1: Jan. 7-11: Chapter 1: Introduction

Objective: to gain an understanding of the varying nature of deviance

Week 2: Jan. 14-18: Chapter 2: Methodology

Objective: to gain an understanding of the major types of research designs and steps involved in the research process.

Week 3: Jan. 21-25: Chapter 3: Demonic Explanations

Objective: To gain an understanding of pre-scientific explanations of deviance.

<u>Wednesday Jan 23 Debate Unit1:</u> Prepare a typed summary of the main points and based on the main points prepare 3 typed debate questions from John Horgan "Are Psychiatric Medications Making Us Sicker?"

http://chronicle.com/article/Are-Psychiatric-Medications/128976/

Week 4: Jan. 28-Feb 1: Chapter 4: Classical Theory

Objective: To gain an understanding of rational hedonism and the study of deviance.

Week 5: Feb 4-8: Chapter 5-6: Pathological Theory

Objective: To understand biological and psychological approaches to deviance.

Dr Thomas Szasz on Psychiatry http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=COWb-fk0yko&feature=related

### **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 13: EXAM #1**

Monday February 11 Family Day College Closed

Week 6: Feb 11-15: Chapters 7: Disorganization Theory

Objective: To understand social pathology as a cause of deviance.

**READING BREAK February 21-22 No classes will meet** 

Week 7: Feb. 18-22: Chapter 7: Disorganization

Week 8: Feb. 25-Mar 1: Chapter 8: Functionalist and Strain Theory

Objective: to understand deviance from a structural functionalist perspective.

Week 9: Mar 4-8 Chapter 9: Learning and Subculture

Objective: To understand impact of subcultures and learning on deviance.

Wednesday March 6 Debate Unit 2: Prepare a typed summary of the main points and based on the main points prepare 3 typed debate questions from Marc Emery 'A warning to Canada from inside the "Tough On Crime US prison system' <a href="http://www.cannabisculture.com/print/29217">http://www.cannabisculture.com/print/29217</a>

## Week 10: Mar 11-15: Chapter 8: Learning and Subculture

Objective: To understand impact of subcultures and learning on deviance

#### **WEDNESDAY MARCH 20: EXAM #2**

#### Week 11 Mar 18-22 Chapter 9: Interactionist Theories

Objective: To understand social construction and labelling theory

Week 12: Mar. 25-29: Conflict theories

Objective: To understand class based explanations of deviance.

**Chapter 13 Social Control Theories** 

Objective: To understand why people choose not to be deviant

Wednesday March 28 Debate Unit 3: Prepare a typed summary of the main points and based on the main points prepare 3 typed debate questions from Glenn Greenwald. 'Too Big to Jail (Book

Excerpt)' http://www.huffingtonpost.com/glenn-greenwald/too-big-to-jail-

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### FRIDAY MARCH 28/ MONDAY APRIL 1 COLLEGE CLOSED

Week 13: Apr. 1-5: Chapter 13: Social Control Theories
Objective: To understand why people choose not to be deviant

Week 14: Apr 8-112: Chapter 13: FRIDAY APRIL 12: EXAM #3

# 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(This section should be directly linked to the Intended Learning Outcomes.)

### Debate Unit Questions and Attendance 18%

#### (a) Assignments

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### (b) Exams

<b>Exam # 1</b>	Wednesday February	13	31%
<b>Exam # 2</b>	Wednesday March	20	31%
Exam # 3	Friday April	12	20%

#### 6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

### Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
		Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

## **Temporary Grades**

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 <sup>rd</sup> course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
cw	Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

### 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

### **LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS**

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at <a href="mailto:camosun.ca">camosun.ca</a>.

# STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED