Instructor’s Syllabus and Course Requirements  
Spring 2021

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Women, Gender and Crime- Core Concepts, 1st Edition

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**LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**: All course content is delivered via the UTEP Blackboard course management system. You can view all materials related to this course on Blackboard (except for the textbook).

**IMPORTANT NOTE**: Distance education demands a considerable amount of self-discipline and motivation. You will enjoy a flexibility to work and study at times that fit your personal schedule; however, you must still meet weekly course deadlines. If you feel you require the structure of a classroom in order to stay engaged, then this class is not for you. Setting up regular times to sit down and focus your attention on the course materials is essential to success. We realize you are balancing many issues in your life and have chosen distance learning as an option to fit your individual circumstances.
IMPORTANT NOTE: All students are required to check Blackboard regularly for announcements and/or changes to the syllabus.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

After completion of the course students will be able to identify, understand, articulate and apply the following concepts and models:

A. Understand the impact of feminist theory on the study of criminology and criminal justice.
B. Identify how the pathways towards criminal offending differ for men and women.
C. Understand how victimization of women contributes to female criminality.
D. Recognize the disparate experiences of male and female professionals working in the criminal justice field.
E. Identify the role of patriarchal societies in defining the nature of female criminal offending, victimization, and treatment of female criminals and professionals in the criminal justice system.

Assignment grading assessments will be weighted in the following way:

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<th>Activity or Assignment</th>
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<td>Weekly Discussion Board 20pts each</td>
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<td>Chapter Reflections 10 points each</td>
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<td>Research paper</td>
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<td><strong>Total Points</strong></td>
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*There will be no curve used in the grading nor will extra work be accepted for credit*.

Grading Points

A 665-740
B 591-664
C 517-590
D 444-516
F 0-443
COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Students will be required to read each chapter, participate in discussions and be ready to discuss current events in the field of criminal justice.

Exams: A total of three testing assessments will be administered to measure the students' learning success. Students will be assessed via a quiz, a midterm, and a final exam, (total 250 points). The quiz, and midterm will be available on BB on Thursday and will close on Saturday of that specific week. Please plan accordingly. I will NOT reopen the quiz or midterm. The final exam will be available for one week please plan accordingly. I will NOT reopen the final exam.

Arrangements for make-up exams will need to be approved by Professor Lozano by telephone call only.

Research Paper: Students are required to produce a research paper on a topic within the field of Women, Gender and Crime, broadly defined. Students choose their own topic based upon their academic and intellectual interests. It is the responsibility of the student to conduct their own research and write their paper independently. Students will produce a paper of approximately 10-12 pages (double-spaced, 12 font, Times New Roman). The requirements are exclusive of title page, abstract, annotation/footnotes and references. Students must follow APA style (7th edition).

Wikipedia is not an acceptable independent academic source for written assignments. Wikipedia, however, can be used as a portal to gain a general understanding about the subject matter, but it cannot be listed as a source on research-based papers. The same is applicable to YouTube, Dictionary.com, Cliffnotes.com, Answers.com, Encarta Encyclopedia and other similar sources. The Internet may be used to access information from scholarly journals, libraries, etc. Google Scholar is an excellent research database for scholarly and professional materials. No late papers will be accepted. Please plan accordingly. Early submissions are accepted and highly encouraged.

DISCUSSION PARTICIPATION:

For full participation credit during participation weeks, you are required to contribute a total of six (6) substantive messages each week in the classroom on three different days. You are required to answer the initial discussion question posted by the professor and respond five (5) times to other students. Total of six (6) posts per week. The initial discussion question will be posted on Sunday @ 6:00am and will close on Saturday @ 11:00pm. The six posts must occur on at least three (3) different days during the online week to earn full credit.

NETIQUETTE:
You must maintain an academic attitude and uphold UTEP policies. Being disrespectful, using profanity or unprofessional behavior will not be tolerated. All of your online communications must be composed with fairness, honesty and tact.

**ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:**

Academic dishonesty is a serious matter. At UTEP “any student who commits an act of scholastic dishonesty is subject to discipline. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or any attempt to commit such acts”. Students suspected of any of these violations will be referred for further investigation. **Research papers are automatically submitted for plagiarism check as soon as you upload into Black Board.**

**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:**

If a student has or suspects he/she has a disability and needs an accommodation, he/she should contact the Disabled Student Services Office (DSSO) at 747-5148 or at dss@utep.edu or go to Room 106 Union East Building. The student is responsible for presenting to the instructor any DSS accommodation letters and instructions.

**DROP POLICY:**

The course drop policy for this class is the same as the official policy for the University. The policy is set-out in the University catalog as well as the class schedule. In conjunction with this policy, the instructor may exercise the right to drop a student from the course roll if the student has an excessive number of unexcused absences, is perpetually tardy in arriving to class, and/or consistently fails to complete class assignments as directed.

**CLASS SCHEDULE AND ASSIGNMENTS:**

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<th>Week One</th>
<th>Chapter 1: Women, Gender and Crime: Introduction</th>
<th>*Familiarize yourself with Black Board, welcome tab, syllabus tab, discussion questions tab, announcement tab, quizzes tab, research paper tab, and final exam tab.</th>
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| 01/09/21 to 01/23/21 | *Read chapter 1 | *

**Discussion Question**
Due 01/23/21
Will open on 01/19/21 at 6am and will close on 01/23/21 at 11pm
| Week Two  | Chapter 2: Theories of Victimization | *Read chapter 2  
*Discussion Question Due 1/30/21  
Will open on 01/25/21 at 6am and will close on 1/30/21 at 11pm  
*Chapter 2 Reflection Summary Due 1/30/21 |
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| Week Three  | Chapter 3: Women and Victimization: Rape and Sexual Assault | *Read chapter 3  
*Discussion Question Due 2/06/21  
Will open on 02/01/21 at 6am and will close on 2/06/21 at 11pm  
*Chapter 3 Reflection Summary Due 02/06/21 |
| Week Four  | Chapter 4: Women and Victimization: Intimate Partner Abuse and Stalking | *Read chapter 4  
*Discussion Question Due 02/13/21  
Will open on 02/08/21 at 6am and will close on 02/13/21 at 11pm  
*Chapter 4 Reflection Summary Due 02/13/21 |
| Week Five  | Chapter 5: International Issues in the Victimization of Women | *Read chapter 5  
*Discussion Question Due 02/20/21 |
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Research Paper Due
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<td><strong>Due 03/13/21</strong>&lt;br&gt;You can submit as early as day one, this thread will close on 03/13/21 at 11pm</td>
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| **Week 10** | 03/22/21 to 03/27/21 | **Chapter 9: Processing and Sentencing of Female Offenders** | **Read chapter 9**

**Discussion Question**
**Due 03/27/21**
Will open on 03/22/21 at 6am and will close on 03/27/21 at 11pm

*Chapter 9 Reflection Summary Due 03/27/21 |
| **Week 11** | 03/29/21 to 04/03/21 | **Chapter 10: The Supervision of Women: Community Corrections, Rehabilitation and Re-Entry** | **Read chapter 10**

* **Discussion Question**
**Due 04/03/21**
Will open on 03/29/21 at 6am and will close on 04/03/21 at 11pm

*Chapter 10 Reflection Summary Due 04/03/21 |

* **Midterm Exam**
**Due 04/03/21**
Will open on 03/29/21 at 6am and will close on 04/03/21 at 11pm |
| **Week 12** | 04/05/21 to 04/10/21 | **Chapter 11: Women, Gender and Incarceration** | **Read chapter 11**

* **Discussion Question**
**Due 04/10/21**
Will open on 04/05/21 at 6am and will close on 04/10/21 at 11pm

*Chapter 11 Reflection Summary Due 04/10/21 |
| Week 13  | 04/12/21 to 04/17/21 | Chapter 12: Women Professionals and the Criminal Justice System: Police, Corrections, and Offender Services | *Read chapter 12  
*Discussion Question Due 04/17/21  
Will open on 04/12/21 at 6am and will close on 04/17/21 at 11pm  
*Chapter 12 Reflection Summary Due 04/17/21 |
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| Week 14  | 04/19/21 to 04/24/21 | Chapter 13: Women Professionals and the Criminal Justice System: Courts and Victim Services | *Read chapter 13  
**Discussion Question Due 04/24/21  
Will open on 04/19/21 at 6am and will close on 04/24/21 at 11pm  
*Chapter 13 Reflection Summary Due 04/24/21 |
| Week 15  | 04/26/21 to 05/01/21 | Study Week | Study Week |
| Week 16  | 05/02/21 to 05/06/21 | Final Exam | Final Exam (all chapters) Due 05/06/21  
Will open on 05/02/21 at 6am and will close on 05/06/21 at 10 pm |

*I reserve the right to change or add dates or assignments if necessary and amend the schedule to suit the needs of the class*.

*Final exam is due May 6, 2021. Please plan accordingly*.

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