

**SYLLABUS
CRIMINAL LAW-CRSE # 530
SPRING 2018
PROFESSOR A. WALKER**

COURSE: Criminal Law-530

SECTION: 3

ROOM: 203

TIME: M.W.F. 2:00-2:50 P.M.

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OFFICE HOURS: M.W.F-12:00-1:00 P.M. and 3:00-4:00 P.M.

REQUIRED TEXT: Criminal Law and Procedure (Thirteenth Edition, Latest Edition)
R.N. Boyce D.A. Dripps and R.M. Perkins)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Criminal law is a three credit course (spring) which is designed to give first year students a complete understanding of all aspects of the criminal justice system.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

To effectively present the elements of substantive criminal law to first year students in both the general concepts and the particular categories of criminal law.

To provide the students with a carefully structured history and principals of the English, American Common Law, Model Penal Code and Texas Penal Code.

To enable the law student to master statutory material, theory, policy, and practical consideration in the study of criminal law.

Students are expected to have a complete understanding of the following areas related to Criminal Law.

*Homicide/Intended and Unintended Killings

*Other Crimes/Larceny and related crimes/Burglary/Rape/Assault/Arson/Kidnapping/Robbery

*Inchoate Crimes/Parties

*Acts and omission/State of mind

*Responsibility

*Causation/Justification/Excuse

GRADES ARE BASED ON THE FOLLOWING:

Examination I-Essay	10%
Examination II-Multi State	10%
Examination III-Multi State	10%
Examination IV-Multi State	20%
Final Examination-Comprehensive	<u>50%</u>
TOTAL	100%

***Office Hours:**

M.W.F.: 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. and 3:00-4:00

***Students may also schedule a conference by appointment**

***Exam Dates may change due to coverage of material**

ATTENDANCE:

Class attendance and participation are **mandatory**.
(See **Student Rules of Matriculation** for details on absences)

DAY	DATE	READING ASSIGNMENTS
Monday	January, 8, 2018	Pg. 1-100
Wednesday	January, 10, 2018	Pg. 109-178
Friday	January, 12, 2018	Pg. 178-214
Monday	January, 15, 2018	Martin Luther King Jr Holiday
Wednesday	January, 17, 2018	Pg. 215-250; (503-517)
Friday	January, 19, 2018	Pg. 250-304; (517-546)
Monday	January, 22, 2018	Pg. 304-330; (547-572)
Wednesday	January, 24, 2018	Pg. 331-358 (573-583)
Friday	January, 26, 2018	Pg. 359-386
Monday	January, 29, 2018	Pg. 387-408

Wednesday	January, 31, 2018	Pg. 409-432
Friday	February 2, 2018	Pg. 433-460
Monday	February 5, 2018	Pg. 460-501
Wednesday	February 7, 2018	Pg. 503-541
Friday	February 9, 2018	Pg. 541-572
Monday	February 12, 2018	Pg. 572-598
Wednesday	February 14, 2018	Pg. 598-624
Friday	February 16, 2018	Exam I
Monday	February 19, 2018	Pg. 624-643
Wednesday	February 21, 2018	Pg. 643-660
Friday	February 23, 2018	Pg. 661-685
Monday	February 26, 2018	Pg. 685-698
Wednesday	February 28, 2018	Pg. 699-717
Friday	March 2, 2018	Pg. 717-729
Monday	March 5, 2018	Pg. 729-741
Wednesday	March 7, 2018	Pg. 741-761
Friday	March 9, 2018	Midterm Exam
March 12, 2018 thru March 16, 2018		Spring Break
Monday	March 19, 2018	Pg. 761-783
Wednesday	March 21, 2018	Pg. 783-806
Friday	March 23, 2018	Pg. 807-818
Monday	March 26, 2018	Pg. 819-848
Wednesday	March 28, 2018	Pg. 848-879
Friday	March 30, 2018	Good Friday
Monday	April 2, 2018	Pg. 879-919
Wednesday	April 4, 2018	Pg. 919-951
Friday	April 6, 2018	Exam III
Monday	April 9, 2018	Pg. 951-1002
Wednesday	April 11, 2018	Pg. 1003-1039
Friday	April 13, 2018	Pg. 1040-1074

Monday	April 16, 2018	Pg. 1075-1101
Wednesday	April 18, 2018	Pg. 1101-1141
Friday	April 20, 2018	Exam IV

Monday	April 23, 2018	Review
Wednesday	April 25, 2018	Review

April 26, 2018 thru April 29, 2018 **Reading Period (No Class)**

FINAL EXAMS: April 30, 2018 THRU May 11, 2018

*** DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED ***

GRADES:

There are 4 exams given throughout the term with the exception of the comprehensive exam. One exam is essay format and the remaining three are multi-state choice format.

The combination of these four scores makes up 50% of your grade. The remaining 50% consists of the comprehensive exam consisting of 60 multi-states. This is a Uniform Exam give to all sections.

CLASS RULES:

Absences: Per the rules of matriculation, students are allowed 5 unexcused absences.

Tardiness: Classes begin promptly at the scheduled time.

Participation: **Students** are expected to prepare for every class. This means all assigned cases should be read and briefed, **BY YOU**. Briefs will be turned in periodically during the semester.

Tutorials Tutorials will be offered on a weekly basis. Attendance will be taken and will be noted for grading purposes.

Computers and cellular devices are not allowed in the classroom unless special circumstances exist.