

CCJS 418P: MARIJUANA, LAW, & SOCIETY
SPRING 2019, Susquehanna Hall 1117
SECTION 0101 Tuesday & Thursday, 2:00pm-3:15pm

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Course Description:

The laws concerning the medical use and legalization of cannabis are changing rapidly. This class attempts to analysis of the role of criminology and criminal justice in the understanding and control of cannabis use and abuse.

Prerequisite: You MUST have already completed CCJS 100 and CCJS 105 to enroll in CCJS 418P.

Required Textbooks:

Holland, Julie (Ed.) 2010. The Pot Book, Park Street Press, Rochester, VT. (ISBN: 978-0-07-802659-1). Abbreviated **TPB**.

Chapkis, Wendy & Webb, Richard. 2008. Dying to Get High: Marijuana as Medicine, New York University Press. (ISBN: 978-0-8147-1666-3). Abbreviated **DTGH**.

Caulkins, Jonathan., Kilmer, Beau., and Kleiman, Mark. 2nd Edition 2016. Marijuana Legalization: What Everyone Needs to Know, Oxford University Press. (ISBN: 978-0-19-026240-2). Abbreviated **ML**.

The class syllabus, individual readings, and any other supplementary files that will be used for this course are on our Canvas space under 'Files'.

Course Grading:

Your grade will be based upon 4 exams (each worth 20%) and a number of pop-quizzes, in-class assignments and take-home essays that will collectively be worth the remaining 20%.

The exams will cover material from the lectures, class discussions, and assigned readings from the textbooks. Approximately 2/3 of the exam questions come from lecture and class discussions and the remaining 1/3 come from the core text books. Exams are not cumulative. I have a very strict policy concerning makeup exams. Exams must be taken on the assigned day unless you have presented a valid, written excuse before the exam and made arrangements to take a makeup exam. Health center notes are not valid excuses! Under no circumstances will oversleeping, car trouble,

or undocumented health problems be grounds for a makeup. Dr. Lehman reserves the right to change the format of the makeup exam if he so wishes.

Academic Integrity

Academic dishonesty in any form will absolutely not be tolerated. Academic dishonesty encompasses behaviors such as plagiarism, cheating on exams and assignments, giving false statements, etc. All students are required to sign the Honor Pledge on each exam.

New Attendance Policy

Under this new policy, instructors are expected to accept as an excused absence a self-signed note from a student who has missed a single lecture, recitation, or laboratory, attesting to the date of the illness. This note must also contain an acknowledgement by the student that the information is true and correct and that providing false information is prohibited under the Code of Student Conduct. The student is also obligated to make a reasonable attempt to inform the instructor of his/her illness in advance. A student is allowed only ONE self-signed note per class for the semester. Please note that this situation does NOT apply to Scheduled Graded Events such as exams.

Copyrights

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Disability Support

I will make every effort to accommodate students who are registered with the Disability Support Services (DSS) office and who provide me with a University of Maryland DSS Accommodation form. This form must be presented to me no later than February 15th. I am not able to accommodate students who are not registered with DSS or who do not provide me with documentation that has been reviewed by DSS. DSS students who are requesting to take their exams at the DSS Center need to make sure they register with DSS so that they can notify me through email me that the student will be taking the exam there. The student is expected to take the exam at the same time as the rest of the class unless other arrangements need be made.

There will be no curve-final grades will be assigned based on the following scale:

A+ = 97.00% - 100% A = 93.00% - 96.99% A- = 90.00% - 92.99%

B+ = 87.00% - 89.99% B = 83.00% - 86.99 B- = 80.00% - 82.99%

C+ = 77.00% - 79.99% C = 73.00% - 76.99% C- = 70.00% - 72.99%

D+ = 67.00% - 69.99% D = 63.00% - 66.99% D- = 60.00% - 62.99%

F = <60.00%

Room for doodling or your notes.

Week	Date(s)	Topics, Exams	Book Chapter(s) & Readings
Week 1	January 29 January 31	Introduction to CCJS 418P Subjective Effects, Early/Ancient History, Botany of Cannabis	Review Syllabus TPB Chs. 1,2,4
Week 2	February 5 February 7	Overview of Cannabis Laws in the U.S., How Stringent is Enforcement? Arrest Statistics & Racism; Collateral Consequences	TPB Ch. 8 (pgs. 73-76 only), ML Ch. 6 TPB Chs. 16 & 18
Week 3	February 12 February 14	The War on Drugs and Procedural Fairness and Racial Equality The Drug Menace in Racial Relief Exam Review	TPB Ch. 42 Provine reading
Week 4	February 19 February 21	Exam 1 Introduction to Medical Cannabis	All Chs. & Reading ML Ch. 5 & 13 TPB Ch. 37
Week 5	February 26 February 28	A Medical Cannabis Case Study Guest Speaker: Dawn Marie, LPN	DTGH Chs. 1 & 2
Week 6	March 5 March 7	A Medical Cannabis Case Study A Medical Cannabis Case Study	DTGH Chs. 3 & 4 DTGH Chs. 5 & 6
Week 7	March 12 March 14	A Medical Cannabis Case Study Exam Review Exam 2	DTGH Ch. 7 & 8 All DTGH Chs.
Week 8	March 19 & March 21	Spring Break-No Classes-Have Fun!	

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Week 9	March 26 March 28	Evergreen: The Road to Legalization (1 st half) Evergreen: The Road to Legalization (2 nd half)	
Week 10	April 2 April 4	Patients Out Of Time & Medical Cannabis in the U.S. Medical Cannabis in the U.S.	TPB Ch. 36, 20, & 37 TPB Ch. 21 Foreman reading
Week 11	April 9 April 11	International Cannabis Policy Exam Review No Class: Dr. Lehman at <i>Patients Out Of Time</i> Conference	TPB Chs. 38 & 39 ML Ch. 15
Week 12	April 16 April 18	Exam 3 Where Are We, and How Did We Get Here?	All Chs. & Readings ML Ch. 12
Week 13	April 23 April 25	Decriminalization, Depenalization, Legalization Video Day: The Botany of Desire, The Pot Republic, etc.	ML Chs. 7 & 8
Week 14	April 30 May 2	Legalization and Cost-Benefit Issues Treat Cannabis like Alcohol?	TPB Chs. 40 & 41 ML Chs. 9 & 10
Week 15	May 7 May 9	Risks of Use, Harm Reduction Risks of Use, Harm Reduction	TPB Chs. 10 & 12 TPB Ch. 14 Caulkins reading
Week 16	May 14 (Tuesday)	The Future of Medical & Legal Cannabis Exam Review	TPB Chs. 6 & 7 ML Ch. 17
Final Exam:	Monday, May 20	Final Exam 10:30am-12:30pm	All Chs. & Readings