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Section WB11
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COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course provides an examination of the American correctional system. Upon completion of this course, students are expected to have a comprehensive understanding of both historical trends and current issues of corrections, as well as correctional policies, practices, and research.

COURSE PREREQUISITE
CCJS100

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

COURSE WEBSITE
This class utilizes ELMS for distribution of all course information and material. To access ELMS, go to http://elms.umd.edu and log in with your Directory ID and password. If you have any problems accessing your account, contact the support desk at 301-405-1400. You must be registered for the class to access the course website. Please also monitor and use the email account associated with ELMS to communicate with me. This policy is to ensure the identity of each student.

COURSE GRADING
Exam #1: 20%
Exam #2: 20%
Exam #3: 20%
Current Issues Report: 15%
Discussion Participation: 25%

Percentage points will be converted to a letter grade as listed below:

A+ (97-100%)  B+ (87-89%)  C+ (77-79%)  D+ (67-69%)  F (<60%)
A  (93-96%)  B  (83-86%)  C  (73-76%)  D  (63-66%)
A- (90-92%)  B- (80-82%)  C- (70-72%)  D- (60-62%)

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EXAMS
Exams will be a combination of multiple-choice and true/false questions and will cover all of the course material assigned since the last exam. Exams will not be cumulative. It is your responsibility to prepare for each exam by carefully reviewing the textbook, as well as the PowerPoint slides. While you may refer to your notes during the exam, if needed, you will only have 60 minutes to complete each exam. I strongly recommend you study prior to taking any exam in the class.

Exams will be available at 12:00am (EST) the day of the exam and are due by 11:59pm (EST) the same day. One you begin the exam, you have 60 minutes to complete it. If you begin the exam at 11:00pm, you will only have 59 minutes to complete it; the time further reduces as you near 11:59pm as no exam can be submitted after this time. You will only get one attempt to complete the exam. No exceptions or adjustments will be made for technical difficulties. It is highly recommended you complete the exam with minimal distractions and a reliable internet connection. Exams not completed by the deadline will receive a zero.

CURRENT ISSUES REPORT
Students are expected to produce a report which addresses a current issue in the American correctional system. A list of possible topics will be provided. The report should include an explanation of the current issue, history of the issue, and a proposed plan to address the issue. If possible, include a current case to illustrate the relevance of the issue today. A template and more detailed instructions will be provided on ELMS.

DISCUSSION PARTICIPATION
Students are expected to participate in the weekly discussions by responding to discussion questions in an insightful and thoughtful manner, and actively engaging with classmates. Discussion threads will close each week at 11:59pm (EST) on Sundays. However, it is required that students are active in the discussion early in the week and consistently throughout the week to receive full credit. Making all of your posts solely on Sunday night will result in a loss of credit. Specific instructions will be provided in the discussion boards each week.

Students are expected to be courteous and respectful in the weekly discussions. While you are free to express differing views and opinions on subject matter, this must be done in a professional and academic manner at all times. Students who engage in personal attacks, insults, aggressive and/or offensive language, or any other behavior that the instructor deems inappropriate will receive a zero for the assignment and be subject to referral to the Office of Student Conduct.

GRADE DISPUTES
If you have questions or concerns about your grade(s) and believe I should review them, you must submit a written request over email that describes your concern in detail. This request must be submitted within one week after grades for the relevant assignment have been posted.
MAKEUP/LATE POLICY
Exams must be completed on the date listed in the course schedule. Since you have 24 hours to complete the exam, there will be no makeup exams except in cases of extraordinary circumstances such as serious injury or death in the family. In all cases, you must notify me prior to the due date for me to consider giving a makeup exam. Official documentation will be required. Failure to adhere to these policies will result in a grade of zero for the exam.

Discussion posts must be made by the weekly due date to receive credit. There will be no credit granted for late discussion posts as the weekly topics will close on Sunday nights at 11:59pm (EST) each week.

Current issues reports submitted after the due date will be accepted late up to five (5) days after the due date. There will be a 10% penalty per day the assignment is late. Late begins at 12:01am the day after the due date. No projects will be accepted after five (5) days after the due date.

COURSE RELATED POLICIES
The University of Maryland expects each student to take full responsibility for their academic work and academic progress. As a student, you have the responsibility to be familiar with and uphold the Code of Academic Integrity and the Code of Conduct, as well as for notifying your course instructors in a timely fashion regarding academic accommodations related to absences and accessibility. University policies outlined in the link below are particularly relevant to your experience in academic courses. http://www.ugst.umd.edu/courserelatedpolicies.html

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
The University of Maryland has a nationally recognized Code of Academic Integrity which sets standards for academic integrity for all undergraduate and graduate students. As a student you are responsible for upholding these standards in your courses. It is very important for you to be aware of the consequences of cheating, fabrication, facilitation, and plagiarism. In this course, academic dishonesty of any form will not be tolerated.

DISABILITY SUPPORT
Students who are registered with the Disability Support Service (DSS)/Accessibility and Disability Service (ADS) Office and who provide me with required DSS/ADS documentation will be accommodated in the classroom. Please provide me with an updated Accommodations Form within the first week of class so that accommodations can be considered in this class. Pertaining to exams, students are expected to take exams on the same day as the rest of the class.

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# Course Schedule

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