



1	Identify the appropriate <u>Criminological Schools of thought</u>	1. 1-5		1		C1	R3	Written test
2	Explain how theoretical constructs have evolved throughout the discipline	1. 1-4			CT 1			Written Test
3	Identify theorists who have exerted the greatest influence on criminology as an independent discipline	2. 1-4		1				Written Test
4	Explain the association between punishment and crime	3. 1-5			CT 3			Written Test
5	Describe the different ways the criminal justice system handles various charges from multiple perspectives to address the overall justice systems	4.1-4			CT 1			Written Test
6	Identify and discuss the concept of social disorganization, and cultural deviances	5. 1-5						Written Test

## Unit Outcomes/ Competencies

### Unit 1: Introduction:

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:

1. Define crime
2. Identify classical and neo-classical theorists.
3. List reasons why people commit crime
4. Explain how criminologists view crime
5. Explain the concept of using official data to measure crime trends and rates

### Unit 2: Theories of Crime Causation

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:

1. Explain the development of the Rational Choice Theory
2. Identify three Psychological trait theories.
3. Use Social Process Theory to explain socialization and crime
4. Discuss transactional terrorism in the new millennium

### Unit 3: Crime typologies

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:

1. Explain the difference between actus reus and mens rea.
2. List the elements of a crime.
3. Distinguish between motive and intent
4. Identify some of the similarities of strict liability crime.

## **Unit 4: The Criminal Justice System**

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:

1. Describe the difference between and juvenile court and adult court.
2. Describe the actors in the Judicatory process
3. Distinguish the history of punishment and corrections
4. Discuss the history of probation and intermediate sanctions

### **Assessment Description(s)**

A series of exams, class discussions, hands-on exercises, and written test.

### **Materials and Technological Requirements**

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### **Class Attendance Policy**

Students are expected to attend all classes in which they are enrolled. If a student is absent from a class session, it is the student's responsibility to make arrangements to complete or make up any work missed. No makeup work for missed classes will be allowed without the approval of the instructor. Students who enroll late must assume all responsibility for work missed. Classes not attended as a result of late enrollment may be counted toward excessive absences. Students not attending the entire class period may be counted absent for that period.

An instructor may drop students with a grade of "WE" if students have been absent for an excessive number of days. Warning letters will be sent to the students advising them of the consequences of non-attendance and urging them to contact their instructors immediately.

Excessive absences are defined as follows:

#### **Regular Semester**

Courses which meet once a week- 2 absences

Courses that meet twice per week- 3 absences

Courses that meet four times per week- 5 absences

#### **Summer Session:**

Courses that meet four times per week in a five-week session- 3 absences

Courses which meet two evenings per week in a 10-week session- 3 absences

Students enrolled in special programs or individualized instruction should contact their program director/instructor regarding specific attendance requirements for the program/course.

Some of the selective-admission health-science programs have specific criteria regarding attendance. Students are encouraged to refer to program policies in these matters.

### **Academic Honesty Policy**

Students enrolled at South Arkansas Community College are expected at all times to uphold standards of integrity. Students are expected to perform honestly and to work in every way possible to eliminate academic dishonesty. Academic dishonesty includes cheating and plagiarism, which are defined as follows:

- Cheating is an attempt to deceive the instructor in his/her effort to evaluate fairly an academic exercise. Cheating includes copying another student's homework, class work, or required project (in whole or in part) and/or presenting another's work as the student's own. Cheating also includes giving, receiving, offering, and/or soliciting information on a quiz, test, or examination.

- Plagiarism is the copying of any published work such as books, magazines, audiovisual programs, electronic media, and films or copying the theme or manuscript of another student. It is plagiarism when one uses direct quotations without proper credit or when one uses the ideas of another without giving proper credit. When three or more consecutive words are borrowed, the borrowing should be recognized by the use of quotation marks and proper parenthetical and bibliographic notations.

If, upon investigation, the instructor determines that the student is guilty of cheating or plagiarism, the following penalties will apply:

- The student will receive a penalty of no less than a zero on the work in question.
- The instructor will submit a written report of the incident to the Vice President for Learning
- The Vice President for Learning will determine whether further disciplinary action will be taken.
- All decisions may be appealed for review through the college's Academic Appeals procedure.

### **Equal Opportunity-Affirmative Action Statement**

South Arkansas Community College does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, creed, gender, religion, marital status, veteran's status, national origin, disability, or sexual orientation in making decisions regarding employment, student admission, or other functions, operations, or activities.

### **Library Services**

Library Homepage: <http://southark.libguides.com/homepage> Library Contact: LibraryStaff@southark.edu or 870.864.7115

### **Procedures to Accommodate Students with Disabilities:**

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, please report this to the Vice President of Student Services with proper documentation.

### **The Early Alert System**

In an effort to ensure student retention and success, South Arkansas Community College employs an Early Alert System to identify and support at-risk students as soon as possible in a given semester. The intent of Early Alert is to provide this assistance while there is still time to address behaviors or issues that have the potential of preventing students from completing their courses and degree plans. Students referred through the Early Alert System will be required to work on a corrective action plan with their student advising coach and to include attendance accountability and mandatory academic tutoring either in the academic division or in the Testing and Learning Center (TLC).

Once the Student Advising Coach has met with the referred student, and again when the student has met the prescribed corrective actions, the coach will update the Early Alert System so that the instructor is kept informed of the progress in resolving issues.

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