

CRIJ 1310 INT Fundamentals of Criminal Law

Internet based class

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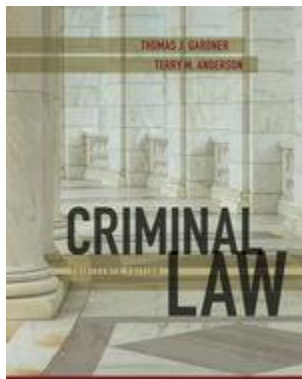
Course Pre-requisites, Co-requisites, and/or Other Restrictions

Access to the internet, knowledge of computer operation and Canvas.

Course Description – This course is the study of criminal law including application of definitions, statutory elements, defenses and penalties using Texas statutes, the Model Penal Code, and case law. The course also analyzes the philosophical and historical development of criminal law and criminal culpability.

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify the elements of crimes and defenses under Texas statutes, Model Penal Code, and case law.
2. Classify offenses and articulate penalties for various crimes.
3. Compare culpable mental states when assigning criminal responsibility.
4. Assess the impact of history and philosophy on current criminal laws.
5. Evaluate the application of criminal law to other areas of criminal justice such as law enforcement and corrections.



Required Textbooks- Criminal Law, 13th edition by Gardner and Anderson, Cengage Publishers,

ISBN-10: 1-305-96636-8

ISBN-13: 978-1-305-96636-9

Suggested Course Materials: Textbook only

Required Assignments & Academic Calendar

In case of inclement weather, emergency closings, or other unforeseen disruptions to scheduled classes, student must log onto their Canvas accounts for directions on where or how to continue their coursework.

This schedule subject to change, please click on the Syllabus icon to your left for all course due dates.

Table 1 Course Schedule

Week	Date	Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines
1	Jan 11-17	Chapter 1: Criminal Law
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 2: Jurisdiction
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
2	Jan 18-24	Chapter 3: Essential Elements of a Crime
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 4: Criminal Liability
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
3	Jan 25-31	Exam 1: Chapters 1-3
		Chapter 5: Criminal Responsibility and the Capacity to Commit a Crime
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 6: The Law Governing the Use of Force
4	Feb 1-7	Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 7: Other Criminal Defenses
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 8: Criminal Punishments
5	Feb 8-14	Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Midterm Exam: Comprehensive - Chapters 1-7
		Chapter 9: Free Speech, Public Order Crimes and the Bill of Rights
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 10: Homicide

		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Exam 3: Chapters 7-8, 10
		Chapter 11: Assault, Battery and Other Crimes Against the Person
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
6	Feb 15-21	Chapter 12: Sexual Assault, Rape, Prostitution and Other Sex Crimes
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Exam 4: Chapters 11-13
		Chapter 13: Theft
7	Feb 22-28	Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
		Chapter 14: Robbery, Burglary and Related Crimes
		Complete: Web-Based Assignment and Quiz, Participate in Discussion
8	Mar 1-3	Final Exam: Comprehensive – Chapters 1-14

Week Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines

1. Criminal Law
Jurisdiction
2. Essential Elements of a Crime
Criminal Liability
Exam 1
3. Criminal Responsibility and the Capacity to Commit a Crime
The Law Governing the Use of Force
Exam 2
4. Other Criminal Defenses
Criminal Punishments
Mid-Term Exam
5. Free Speech, Public Order Crimes and the Bill of Rights
Homicide
Exam 3

6. Assault, Battery and Other Crimes Against the Person
Sexual Assault, Rape, Prostitution and Related Sex Crimes
Exam 4
7. Theft
Robbery, Burglary and Related Crimes
8. Final Exam- Taken on line the final week of the semester

Methods of Evaluation

Chapter quizzes 10%

Discussions Topics 20%

Web-Based Assignments 10%

Exams 30%

Mid-term and Final Exams 30%

Grades to be posted in Canvas.

Descriptions of:

Late Work Policy-late work will not be accepted. All work must be completed during the week that the module is assigned. Modules will close after the due date and will not be reopened.

Quizzes & Exams - are given online and divided into separate quizzes for each chapter. An exam is then given after three chapters are completed.

Web-Based assignments are due with each chapter and are required. This is a graded assignment.

Oral Presentation-none

Class Participation-is required through weekly Discussion topics, which are graded. You are required to post an initial response and then respond to at least two others with substantial responses. Simply saying "I agree" is not a response.

Homework - it is all home work

Do not cheat, you will fail the class.

Methods of Instruction

This is an online course.

You must have access to the internet.

If you do not have access, GCC has computer labs for its students. Please contact those labs for their hours of operation.

The instructor will communicate with students by using the most appropriate icon listed: Mail icon, Discussion icon or Assignment icon.

Questions should be addressed to the instructor via the Mail icon.

Be respectful of other students when posting.

Course & Instructor Policies

No makeup exams are given, late work is not accepted, students are required to take online exams and participate in weekly discussions by posting substantial responses. Follow instructions, turn work in before due dates. As computers and internet access seem to fail at inopportune times, I recommend you turn work in early.

Class Attendance

Academic success is closely associated with regular classroom attendance and course participation. All successful students, whether on campus or online, are expected to be highly self-motivated. All students are required to participate in courses regularly and are obliged to participate in class activities and complete and submit assignments following their professors' instructions. Students taking courses during compressed semester time frames such as mini-semester, summer sessions, and mid-semester should plan to spend significantly more time per week on the course. Responsibility for work missed because of illness or school business is placed upon the student. More than two (2) absences are considered to be excessive. In addition, students' eligibility to receive financial aid or live in a College dormitory can be affected by withdrawal from courses. When withdrawal occurs, any tuition refund would be made in accordance with state regulations.

Student Conduct & Discipline

Follow instructions, turn work in before due dates posted.

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Other information

- (1) We will communicate with each other by using the Mail or Discussions icon.
- (2) Online participation is assessed and graded, see above for details.
- (3) The instructor will monitor the online activities of the students by reading your posts and communication to other students.
- (4) Instructor will monitor the standards of appropriate online behavior by doing 3 above;
- (5) The level of technical competence required of the students is listed above;
- (6) The minimum computer hardware and software requirements are for the class, and what department or college facilities are available to support these requirements for students who cannot afford to buy the technology;
- (7) The alternative procedures for submitting work in the event of technical Breakdowns is submit by snail mail postmarked on or before due dates

(8) There are no on-campus meeting requirements, if any;

(9) How academic honesty will be enforced, if you cheat you will flunk the course.

Title IX

GC policy prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, race, religion, retaliation, serious medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, spousal affiliation and protected veterans status.

Furthermore, Title IX prohibits sex discrimination to include sexual misconduct: sexual violence (sexual assault, rape), sexual harassment and retaliation.

For more information on Title IX, please contact:

- Regina Organ, Title IX Coordinator
- Dava Washburn , Title IX Coordinator
- GC Police Department: (903) 463-8777
- GC Counseling Center: (903) 463-8694
- For Any On-campus Emergencies: 911

Grayson County College is not responsible for illness/injury that occurs during the normal course of classroom/lab/clinical experiences.

These descriptions and timelines are subject to change at the discretion of the Professor.

Grayson College campus-wide student policies may be found on our current Student Page on our website:

<http://grayson.edu/current-students/index.html> (Links to an external site)