

FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY COURSE SYLLABUS PSY325 and CRIJ 325

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Instructor Information:	
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Instructor Background: Ambrose Resa holds a masters degree in psychology earned at Calumet College of St Joseph and is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in the state of Illinois and a Licensed Mental Health Counselor in the state of Indiana. He has over 30 years of experience in law enforcement beginning as an MP in the United States Army to his current position as a homicide detective assigned to the Area South Cold Case unit of the Chicago Police Department. He has been with the Chicago Police Department for 25 years, 16 of which assigned as a detective in the Homicide Section of the Bureau of Investigative Services.

	Course Information:
Course Time:	Monday evenings 7:00pm to 10:00pm
Classroom:	
Prerequisites:	none
Textbooks:	Bartol, C.R. and Bartol, A.M. 2019. <i>Introduction to Forensic Psychology, Fifth Edition</i> . Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications.
	ISBN: 9781506387246
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Learning Outcomes/ Competencies:

Students in this course will:

- Distinguish forensic psychology from other forensic sciences
- Understand the many ways psychology contributes to the investigation of crime
- Describe the role of forensic psychologists working in criminal and civil courts
- Examine the psychological effects of being victimized
- Summarize the role of psychologists and other mental health professionals in adult and juvenile corrections
- Identify the range of career opportunities available to forensic psychologists

Course Description:

This course is designed to enhance the students' understanding of Forensic Psychology as it is applied to the area of Law Enforcement and human behavior.

Learning Strategies:

Active participation in class exercises and discussions will be the primary modality of learning. However, the student may also expect a variety of additional modalities of information sharing including: general lecturing, use of audio and visual recordings, oral reports, etc.

Course sche	edule	
SESSION		
& DATE		
#1	PREPARATION:	Buy textbook(s)
27 Aug 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Case Study 1
	TOPICS:	Introduction to Forensic Psychology
#2		NO CLASS
03 Sep 18		LABOR DAY
#3	PREPARATION:	Read Chapters 1 & 2
10 Sep 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Case Study 2 / Blackboard Assignment no. 1 Due
	TOPICS:	Police and Public Safety Psychology
#4	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 3
17 Sep 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Test 1, Chapters 1-2
	TOPICS:	Psychology of Investigations
#5	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 4
24 Sep 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Blackboard Assignment #2 Due
	TOPICS:	Consulting and Testifying
#6		NO CLASS
01 Oct 18	PREPARATION:	
	ASSIGNMENTS:	
	TOPICS:	

#7	PREPARATION:	
08 Oct 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	
	TOPICS:	*MID-TERM EXAM*
#8	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 7
15 Oct 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Paper / Presentation Topics Due
	TOPICS:	Case Study 3/ The Development of Delinquent and Criminal Behavior
#9	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 8
22 Oct 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Case Study 4 / Blackboard 3 assignment due
	TOPICS:	Psychology of Violence and Intimidation
#10	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 9
29 Oct 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Test 3, Chapters 7-8 / Blackboard 4 assignment due
	TOPICS:	Psychology of Sexual Assault
#11	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 10
05 Nov 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Case Study
	TOPICS:	Forensic Psychology and Victims of Crime
#12	PREPARATION:	Read Chapter 11
12 Nov 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Class Presentations – EXTRA CREDIT
		Final Blackboard 5 assignment due
	TOPICS:	Family Violence and Child Victimization
#13		NO CLASS
19 Nov 18		
#14	PREPARATION:	Review for Final
26 Nov 18	ASSIGNMENTS:	Class Presentations
	TOPICS:	

#15 PREPARATION: Review for Final

03 Dec 18 ASSIGNMENTS: Class Presentations

TOPICS:

#16 **FINAL EXAM**

10 Dec 18 Chapters 9-11

Assessments:		
Exams	Exams 1, 2, 3 & Final – 100	400 points
	points each	
Class Participation/	12 classes – 4.16 points each	50 points
Attendance		
Blackboard Assignments	5 Assignments – 10 points	50 points
	each	
Class Presentation	100 points, 20 additional points	100 points
	for early presentation	
Paper	100 points	100 points

Total: 700 points / 7 = Final grade

Grading Scale: Total number of points divided by 2

Grade	Points
A	100-92
A-	91-90
B+	89-88
В	87-82
B-	81-80
C+	79-78
С	77-72
C-	71-70
D+	69-68
D	67-62
D-	61-60
F	59 and below

Policies and Procedures	
Class Policy on Attendance:	Intellectual growth and success in college is reinforced through interaction in the classroom. Students reach personal goals and course outcomes through regular and prompt attendance. Therefore, if a student is absent "three (3) times" the student will be subjected to a grade of F or FW per policy stated under the Withdrawal from Classes section on this syllabus.
Class Policy on Electronic Devices	Laptops, tablets, and cell phones, including text messaging and other features, are not appropriate for the classroom setting unless used for note taking or appropriate research. If a cell phone must be left on in the classroom, it must be set to the

	silent or vibrate mode. Any form of electronic communication must take place outside of the classroom. a student found texting or using an electronic form of communication in class, will lose 2 points from their attendance grade per occurrence. A second occurrence on the same day may result in their being excused from class and a full loss of the day's attendance points. Additionally, 3 points will be lost for a first similar occurrence during an exam and the student may be asked to submit their exam in for grade if a second occurrence happens during an exam
Class Participation:	Class participation is extremely important and will account for a portion of the student's overall grade
Statement of Plagiarism:	If an instructor or other Calumet College of St. Joseph personnel find that a student has plagiarized or been involved in another form of academic dishonesty, the instructor or other personnel may elect to bring the matter up for judicial review. The maximum penalty for any form of academic dishonesty is dismissal from the College. The procedures for judicial review are listed under the section of CCSJ handbook that addresses student grievances. PLEASE NOTE: All papers can and may be submitted for checks on plagiarism from the Internet/Electronic sources/Databases.
Citation Guidelines:	Calumet College of St. Joseph uses citation guidelines, generally MLA or APA format, to document sources quoted or paraphrased in student papers. Check the syllabus for each course to see what each instructor requires. The Library has reference copies of each manual; the Follett has copies for sale when required by the instructor. In addition, there are brief MLA and APA checklists in your spiral "Student Handbook and Planner" and on the Library website and literature rack. These texts show how to cite references from many sources, including electronic media, as well as how to space and indent the "Works Cited" and "References" pages respectively. EBSCO and ProQuest articles provide both formats for you to copy and paste. Proper documentation avoids plagiarism.
Withdrawal from Classes Policy:	After the last day established for class changes has passed (see College calendar), students may withdraw from a course in which they are registered and wish to discontinue. A written request detailing the reason(s) for the withdrawal must be completed with the Office of Academic Advising and filed with the Registrar. The Office of Academic Advising must receive written request for withdrawal by the last day of classes prior to the final examination dates specified in the catalogue. Written requests should be submitted in person or, when an inperson visit is not possible, may be mailed to the Office of Academic Advising, emailed, or faxed to 219-473-4336. Students are to make note of the refund schedule when withdrawing from courses. If the request requires instructor approval per the College calendar, it must be forwarded to the faculty member, who makes the final determination to accept or deny the request. If the request is honored by the faculty member, the student will receive notification of official withdrawal from the Registrar after meeting or speaking with a member from Academic Advising, Financial Aid and Athletics (if applicable). These

departments will notify the student of academic, financial, and athletic eligibility effects of a possible withdrawal.

If the request is denied by the faculty member, the notification will indicate why the withdrawal is disallowed. Please note that if the request does not require instructor approval, the student must still meet or speak with a member from Academic Advising, Financial Aid and Athletics (if applicable) before the withdrawal will be processed.

An official withdrawal is recorded as a "W" grade on the student's transcript. Discontinuing a course without a written request for withdrawal automatically incurs an "FW" grade for the course (see Refund Schedule). Failure to Withdraw (FW) is indicated when the student does not complete withdrawal paperwork with the Office of Academic Advising nor does the student notify the instructor of their intent to withdraw due to an illness, accident, grievous personal loss, or other circumstances beyond the student's control. This grade is submitted by the instructor at the end of term.

Resources

Student Success Center:

The Student Success Center supports Calumet College of St. Joseph students through an interactive learning experience. Students work with faculty tutors to develop course competencies and study skills such as time management, test preparation, and note taking. In addition, students are provided with tutoring support to help pass courses, to improve grade point average, and to promote continuing education and career advancement. Tutors have a specific charge: to help students learn how to master specific subject matter and to develop effective learning skills. The Student Success Center is open to all students at Calumet College of St. Joseph at no charge and is available to support academic courses at the introductory and advanced levels. For assistance, please contact the Student Success Center at 219 473-4287 or stop by the Library.

Disability Services:

Disability Services strives to meet the needs of all students by providing academic services in accordance with Americans Disability Act (ADA) guidelines. Students must meet with the Coordinator of Disability Services to complete an intake form in order to request an accommodation and/or an auxiliary aid (e.g., additional time for tests, note taking assistance, special testing arrangements, etc.). It is the student's responsibility to contact the Academic Support Programs Office to request an accommodation at least one month prior to enrollment for each academic term. Students who are requesting an accommodation and/or an auxiliary aid must submit documentation from a professional health care provider to verify eligibility under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and/or the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The cost of obtaining the professional verification is the responsibility of the student.

If a student believes that he or she needs a "reasonable accommodation" of some kind because of a physical, psychological, or mental condition, he or she should contact Disabilities Services. The Coordinator will secure documentation pertinent to the disability and work with faculty and staff, if necessary, to address the matter.

	All questions and inquiries pertaining to disability services should be directed to the Disability Services Coordinator at 219-473-4349.	
CCSJ Alert:	Calumet College of St. Joseph utilizes an emergency communications system that transmits messages via text, email, and voice platforms. In the event of an emergency, of weather related closings, or of other incidents, those students who are registered for the system shall receive incident specific message(s) notifying them of the situation. Please sign-up for this important service at any time on the College's website. Alternatively, you can register at the time you register for classes. This service requires each user to register once per academic year. Therefore, at the beginning of each academic year, please remember to re-register for the system. This can be done at: http://www.ccsj.edu/alerts/index.html .	
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	Internet: http://www.ccsj.edu	
	http://www.EmergencyClosings.com Facility: Calumet College of St. Joseph Phone: 219.473.4770	
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