

Basic Course Information

Semester	Fall 2014	Instructor's Name	Michael W. Capeci
Course Title & #	AJ 102 Concepts of Criminal Law	Instructor's Email	michael.capeci@imperial.edu
CRN #	10105	Webpage (optional)	
Room	3203	Office (PT Faculty:809)	809
Class Dates	8/19/2014-12/11/2014	Office Hours (n/a for PT Faculty)	n/a
Class Days	Tuesday & Thursday	Office Phone # (PT may use dept. number)	n/a
Class Times	10:15am – 11:40am	Who students should contact if emergency or other absence	Email instructor PRIOR to class
Units	3		

Course Description

Required language: Use from CurricUNET course outline of record: <http://www.curricunet.com/Imperial/>

Student Learning Outcomes

Required language: Use from CurricUNET <http://www.curricunet.com/Imperial/>

Course Objectives

Required language: Use from CurricUNET <http://www.curricunet.com/Imperial/>

Textbooks & Other Resources or Link

1. Criminal Law 11th Edition Joel Samaha

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

3 Tests at 50 points each= 150 points

Attendance and class participation=50 points

Midterm paper (topic approved by instructor)= 100 points

Final Exam 100

Clas attendance/participation in discussions, or activities= 50 points

Total Points Possible: 500

A 450-500

B 400-449

C 350-399

D 300-349

F 0-299

Attendance

Required language

- A student who fails to attend the first meeting of a class or does not complete the first mandatory activity of an online class will be dropped by the instructor as of the first official meeting of that class. Should readmission be desired, the student's status will be the same as that of any other student who desires to add a class. It is the student's responsibility to drop or officially withdraw from the class. See General Catalog for details.
- Regular attendance in all classes is expected of all students. A student whose continuous, unexcused absences exceed the number of hours the class is scheduled to meet per week may be dropped. For online courses, students who fail to complete required activities for two consecutive weeks may be considered to have excessive absences and may be dropped.
- Absences attributed to the representation of the college at officially approved events (conferences, contests, and field trips) will be counted as 'excused' absences.

Classroom Etiquette

Required Information --Discretionary language

This is where an instructor explains his/her policy on these matters. Here is some suggested language:

- Electronic Devices: Cell phones and electronic devices must be turned off and put away during class unless otherwise directed by the instructor. **Consider:** specifics for your class/program
- Food and Drink are prohibited in all classrooms. Water bottles with lids/caps are the only exception. Additional restrictions will apply in labs. Please comply as directed.
- Disruptive Students: Students who disrupt or interfere with a class may be sent out of the room and told to meet with the Campus Disciplinary Officer before returning to continue with coursework. Disciplinary procedures will be followed as outlined in the General Catalog.
- Children in the classroom: Due to college rules and state laws, no one who is not enrolled in the class may attend, including children.

Academic Honesty

Required Language

- Plagiarism is to take and present as one's own the writings or ideas of others, without citing the source. You should understand the concept of plagiarism and keep it in mind when taking exams and preparing written materials. If you do not understand how to correctly 'cite a source', you must ask for help.
- Cheating is defined as fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment or using or attempting to use materials, or assisting others in using materials, or assisting others in using materials, which are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of the academic assignment in question.

Anyone caught cheating or will receive a zero (0) on the exam or assignment, and the instructor may report the incident to the Campus Disciplinary Officer, who may place related documentation in a file. Repeated acts of cheating may result in an F in the course and/or disciplinary action. Please refer to the General School Catalog for more information on academic dishonesty or other misconduct. Acts of cheating include, but are not limited to the following: (a) plagiarism; (b) copying or attempting to copy from others during an examination or on an assignment ;(c) communicating test information with another person during an examination; (d) allowing others to do an assignment or portion of an assignment, (e) use of a commercial term paper service

Additional Help – Discretionary Section and Language

The instructor can add the information pertinent to his or her class here. Some suggested language:

- Blackboard support center: <http://bbcrm.edusupportcenter.com/ics/support/default.asp?deptID=8543>

- **Learning Labs:** There are several ‘labs’ on campus to assist you through the use of computers, tutors, or a combination. Please consult your college map for the Math Lab, Reading & Writing Lab, and Learning Services (library). Please speak to the instructor about labs unique to your specific program
- **Library Services:** There is more to our library than just books. You have access to tutors in the learning center, study rooms for small groups, and online access to a wealth of resources.

Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS)

Required Language: Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSP&S) office as soon as possible. If you feel you need to be evaluated for educational accommodations, the DSP&S office is located in Building 2100, telephone 760-355-6313.

Student Counseling and Health Services

Required Language: Students have counseling and health services available, provided by the pre-paid Student Health Fee. We now also have a fulltime mental health counselor. For information see <http://www.imperial.edu/students/student-health-center/>. The IVC Student Health Center is located in the Health Science building in Room 2109, telephone 760-355-6310.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Required Language: Students have the right to experience a positive learning environment and due process. For further information regarding student rights and responsibilities please refer to the IVC General Catalog available online at http://www.imperial.edu/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=4516&Itemid=762

Information Literacy

Required Language: Imperial Valley College is dedicated to help students skillfully discover, evaluate, and use information from all sources. Students can access tutorials at <http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/divisions/arts-and-letters/library-department/info-lit-tutorials/>

Anticipated Class Schedule / Calendar

Required Information –Discretionary Language and Formatting:

WEEK 1 Tuesday	Introduction
Thursday	Review Chapter 1 Criminal Law & Criminal Punishment: An Over View
WEEK 2 Tuesday	Continuation of Chapter 1 review Continuation of Chapter 1 review
Thursday	Review Chapter 2 Constitutional Limits on Criminal Law
WEEK 3 Tuesday	Review Chapter 3 The General Principles of Criminal Liability: Actus Reus
Thursday	Test Chapters 1-3
WEEK 4 Tuesday	Review Chapter 4 The General Principles of Criminal Liability: Mens Rea, Concurrence, Causation, and Ignorance and Mistake
Thursday	Continuation of Chapter 4 Review Continuation of Chapter 4 Review
WEEK 5 Tuesday	Review Chapter 5 Defenses to Criminal Liability: Justifications

Thursday	Chapter 6 Defenses to Criminal Liability: Excuse
Week 6 Tuesday	Continuation of Chapter 6
Thursday	Test Chapters 4-6
WEEK 7 Tuesday	Guest Speaker from District Attorney's Office
Thursday	Review Chapter 7 Parties to Crime and Vicarious Liability
WEEK 8 Tuesday	Midterm- Term Paper Assignment: In Class APA format, Topic Selection
Thursday	Continuation of Chapter 7
WEEK 9 Tuesday	Review Chapter 8 Inchoate Crimes: Attempt, Conspiracy and Solicitation
Thursday	Midterm paper due In Class Video (Conspiracy)
WEEK 10 Tuesday	Continue Chapter 8 Review
Thursday	Review of Chapter 9 Crimes Against Persons I: Murder and Manslaughter
WEEK 11 Tuesday	Continue Chapter 9 Review
Thursday	Review Chapter 10 Crimes Against Persons II: Criminal Sexual Conduct Bodily Injury and Personal Restraint
WEEK 12 Tuesday	Continuation of Chapter 10
Thursday	Guest speaker from Center for Family Solutions
WEEK 13 Tuesday	Test Chapters 8-10
Thursday	Review Chapter 12 Crimes Against Property
WEEK 14 Tuesday	No Class- Veteran's Day
Thursday	Continue Reviewing Chapter 11
WEEK 15 Tuesday	Guest Speaker from Law Enforcement Agency
Thursday	Review Chapter 12 Crimes Against Public Order and Morals
Week 16 Tuesday	Continue Reviewing Chapter 12
Thursday	No Class Thanksgiving
WEEK 17 Tuesday	Review Chapter 13 Crimes Against the State
Thursday	Continue Review Chapter 13
WEEK 18 Tuesday	Review for Final
Thursday	Final