

**CJ 3400**  
**DRUGS AND CRIME**  
Catalog number 30618 Section 01  
**SYLLABUS: Fall Semester 2009**

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- Classroom:** GC 407
- Class Hours:** Tuesday, Thursday, 8:30 to 9:50 a.m.
- Required Reading:** Text: **Drugs in Society, Causes, Concepts and Control** (5th edition) by Michael D. Lyman and Gary W. Potter (ISBN 1-59345-322-1)  
Additional readings will be assigned from internet web sites including [www.streetdrugs.org](http://www.streetdrugs.org), [www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov), [www.balancedpolitics.org](http://www.balancedpolitics.org), [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov) and others to be provided in class

**Course Overview**

Students will develop a comprehensive understanding of the nature of the drug problem from historic, economic, social, political and physical impact perspectives. Students will develop general knowledge of the impact of illegal drugs on the criminal justice system; illicit drugs contribution to crime; drug production and distribution organizations and systems; efforts to combat drugs, drug prevention and treatment programs; and the debate over decriminalization of illicit drugs.

**General Course Objectives:**

Students will demonstrate comprehensive mastery of concepts presented in the overview and specific class session objectives by:

1. Successful completion of three exams with an average of 70% or better.
2. Successful completion of a 5 to 8 page term paper covering a wide range of drug crime and related problems including a **balanced informed objectively researched** section on drug de-regulation/regulation and criminalization/legalization arguments.
3. Successful completion of chapter quizzes with 70% average or better.
4. Class attendance of 70% or better.

**Expectations:**

1. Students are expected to **complete assigned readings** prior to the date the topic is scheduled for discussion to promote meaningful discussion and class participation for learning.
2. Regular **class attendance is required** and will be rewarded in grading. Your tuition reserved you a seat.
3. **Late arrivals and early departures** are considered discourteous and disruptive to class continuity. Notice of excused absences (certified illness, family emergency, work emergency/training,) when possible, must be given prior to class sessions or exams in person or by voice or e-mail except in case of emergency. Any questioned absence must be clarified and corrected during the next class session attended.
4. Essays, reports, research papers and exams must be completed and submitted on the due date. **Unexcused make-up exams and late reports will be discounted a minimum of 10%.** Missed exams and late reports must be submitted in the week following the due date to be accepted.
5. **Term Paper:** There will be a 5 to 8 page term paper required. Details will be provided in class.

6. **Exams:** Three **objective exams** consisting of multiple choice answers will be administered during the course.
7. **Quizzes:** Chapter quizzes of true/false, matching and short essay type quizzes based on assigned reading, power point, and videos will be administered. There will be no make up of quizzes not turned in by the deadline or during the week the chapter the quiz covers is discussed. Once a quiz has been discussed in class it will no longer be accepted.
8. **Turn off cell phones.** No texting is allowed. You may be dismissed from class for repeated violations.
9. **Lap tops** may be used exclusively for note taking and power point review during class. All other uses are not allowed and may result in your dismissal from class.
10. **E-Mail:** Extensive use of e-mail will be used to send assignments and power point notes to students. If you do not have an SUU e-mail account, please call 586-5474 to arrange for one and make sure it is properly given to the registrar for inclusion in class registration for group mailings.

**Course Pre-requisite:** CJ 1010

**Grading:**

Grades will be based on points earned. 930 (A), 900 (A-), 870 (B+) 830 (B) 800 (B-), etc..

1. Attendance and Participation:	10 % of final grade	(100 points)
2. Chapter Quizzes	15% of final grade	(150 points)
2. Three Exams (20% of total grade each)	60% of final grade	(600 points)
3. Term paper	15% of final grade	(150 points)
	(Total Points possible 1000)	

**Students with Disabilities**

Students with medical, psychological, learning or other disabilities desiring academic accommodations or auxiliary aids will need to contact the Southern Utah University Coordinator of Services for Students with disabilities (SSD) in room 206F of the Sharwan Smith Center or phone (435)865-8022. SSD determines eligibility for and authorizes the provision of services.

**Academic Integrity Policy**

Scholastic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent. You are expected to have read and understood the current issue of the student handbook (published by Student Services) regarding student responsibilities and rights, and the intellectual property policy, for information about procedures and about what constitutes acceptable on-campus behavior.

**Disclaimer Statement**

This syllabus is subject to flexibility in dates according to class progress. Information contained in this syllabus, other than the grading, late assignments, makeup work, and attendance policies, may be subject to change with advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

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**Extended Syllabus, Fall Semester 2009**

<b><u>Session and Dates:</u></b>	<b><u>Topic:</u></b>	<b><u>Assigned Reading</u></b>
Week 1 8/25-27	Introduction, Nature and extent of drug problem	(Quiz 1) Chap. 1
Week 2 9/1-3	History of Drug Abuse,	(Quiz 2) Chap. 1&2
<b><u>9/7 (Monday) Labor Day Recess</u></b>		
Week 3 9/8-10	History, Understanding Drugs, (Video Review)	Chap. 2&3
Week 4 9/15-17	Characteristics, Effects, Types of Drugs (Quiz 3)	Internet and Chap. 3
Week 5 9/22-24	Illicit Drug Trade	(Quiz 4) Chap. 4
<b><u>9/29 Tuesday Exam # 1 (Chap 1 - 4)</u></b>		
Week 6 9/29-10/1	Domestic Drug Production	Chap. 5
Week 7 10/6-8	Domestic Drugs, Pharmaceuticals, Labs.	(Quiz 5) Chap. 5&6
Week 8 10/13-15	Money laundering, Drugs and Crime (video)	(Quiz 6) Chap. 6
<b><u>10/19 (Monday) Harvest Day Recess</u></b>		
Week 9 10/20-22	Organized Crime and Drug trade (Video)	(Quiz 7) Chap. 7
Week 10 10/27-28	Domestic Drug Trafficking, Mafia, OMG, Gangs (Quiz 8)	Chap. 8
<b><u>11/3, Tuesday, Exam # 2 (Chap. 5 - 8)</u></b>		
Week 11 11/3-5	Foreign Drug Trafficking Organizations	(Quiz 9) Chap. 9
Week 12 11/10-12	Narcoterrorism, Drug Interdiction (Video)	(Quiz 10) Chap. 10
Week 13 11/17-19	Drug Control Strategies and Issues	(Quiz 11) Chap. 11
<b><u>11/25-27 Thanksgiving Recess</u></b>		
Week 14 11/24-12/1	Legalization Issues, Drug Control Policy (Quiz 12 & 13)	Chap. 12&13
<b><u>12/1 Term Paper due</u></b>		
Week 15 12/3	Drug Treatments, Prevention, Demand Reduction (Quiz 14)	Chap. 14
<b><u>12/7 Study Day</u></b>		
<b><u>12/9 Final Exam: Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.</u></b>		