CRIME AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
SOC*1500 (01)
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Class: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 12:30–1:20pm

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Course Description:
Crime is abundant in our lives, at least according to the media. But is it, really? Or, are some groups at greater risk than others? How can we make sense of media and popular accounts of crime? How can we make sense of crime itself? What is the role of the criminal justice system in responding to crime? Is the criminal justice system effective? In addressing questions such as these, this course will introduce students to the sociological study of crime and criminal justice by examining how crime is defined, measured, explained, and responded to. Major criminological explanations of crime will be studied and applied to understand criminal behaviour and the criminal justice system.

Required Text:

Additional readings will be available on CourseLink.

Evaluation:
Class Engagement 10%
Essay Proposal 5%
Essay 20%
Mid-Term Exam 25%
Final Exam 40%

Note: This draft outline is for informational purposes only and may change at the instructor’s discretion. A complete syllabus will be shared during the first class.