SYLLABUS

CJL 1100
Criminal Law
Summer 2011

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

An in-depth study of the classification and analysis of criminal acts, including crimes against persons, property, public order and morals, and justice, and including reviewing specific cases and court decisions.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand the basic principles of Criminal Law.
2. Demonstrate the legacy of Common Law and its relationship to modern jurisprudence.
3. Analyze the elements of the various major crimes against persons.
4. Analyze the elements of the various major crimes against property.
5. Explain and apply the concept of Burden of proof.
6. Explain the difference between substantive and procedural due process.
7. Select the proper criminal charges to be filed when given a situation involving a criminal violation

TEXT BOOK:

Gardner and Anderson, Criminal Law, 10th Edition

GRADING SYSTEM:

Course grades are based on a Midterm Examination (50%) and a Final Examination (50%).

Grading System:  A=90-100, B=80-89, C=70-79, D=60-69, F=0-59
ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY:

Academic Dishonesty in any form, including but not limited to cheating, plagiarism, and falsification of sources, shall not be tolerated and may result in the student(s) involved receiving an “F” for the course.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Students are expected to attend all scheduled classes. Attendance will be taken. Students are responsible for all material missed when absent.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS:

1. Lecture and discussion on textbook materials.
2. Preparation of written materials.

REQUEST FOR ACCOMMODATIONS:

If, to participate in this course, you require an accommodation due to physical or learning impairment, you must contact the Office of Services to Students with Disabilities.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Introduction to Criminal Law Chapter 1
2. Elements of Crimes Chapter 2
3. Criminal Liability Chapter 3
4. Criminal Responsibility Chapters 4 – 7
5. Jurisdiction Chapter 8
6. Crimes Against Public Chapter 9
7. Crimes Against Persons Chapters 10 - 12
8. Crimes Against Property Chapters 13 - 15
9. Substance Abuse Crimes Chapter 16
10. Miscellaneous Crimes Chapters 17 - 19

COURSE SCHEDULES:

Midterm: June 8, 2011
Final: June 27, 2011

Copies of Dr. Reichard’s handouts, assignments, and study guides can be found at: http://www.hccfl.edu/yc/cjt/faculty/dr-michael-reichard/classes.aspx