COURSE DETAIL

CRIME AND DEVIANCE IN SOUTH AFRICAN CITIES
Country South Africa
Host Institution University of Cape Town
Program(s) University of Cape Town
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology Legal Studies
UCEAP Course Number 128
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title CRIME AND DEVIANCE IN SOUTH AFRICAN CITIES
UCEAP Transcript Title CRIME/S AFR CITIES
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description

The course considers the nature of deviance, crime, and criminality in South Africa, from both historical and current viewpoints. The following questions are reviewed: How much crime is there in South Africa? Who are the victims of crime and who are the offenders? Why is crime in South Africa so violent? These discussions draw freely from international, criminological debate, and locate those debates within a developing context. The course explores responses to crime in the South African context by considering what has and is being done by the state and non-state to engage with crime? What is the thinking behind (violent) crime control and prevention programmes and initiatives? How effective have these initiatives been? These discussions focus on crime policies that have been developed as well as community and private sector initiatives to address issues of crime and violence. DP requirements: Completion of all written tests, essays and assignments. Assessment: Coursework counts 50% and one two-hour examination counts 50% of the final mark. Course entry requirements: SOC1001F, SOC1005S, or any 1000-level social science course.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
PBL2800F

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Host Institution Campus
University of Cape Town

Host Institution Faculty
Humanities

Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department Sociology
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