Department: Sociology

Course number: Soci 217W

Title: Deviant Behavior

Credits: 3

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Behaviors labeled by society as deviant, such as crime, prostitution, suicide, alcoholism, drug abuse, and mental illness.

Soci 217W. Deviant Behavior. Prerequisite: Engl 110 or 111 or 250.

W Criteria: The paper requirements count 50% of the grade and the midterm and final exams are 50%. The final draft of the paper is 15 pages, and it is preceded by a 3-page proposal and a 10-page (minimum) partial rough draft. The writing assignments permit students to engage themselves in-depth in the subject matter by writing a research design or literature review paper.

Writing instruction takes place both in class on issues of general concern, e.g., appropriate citations, organization of ideas, etc. as well as in individual conferences tailored to each student's particular paper. Detailed corrections and suggestions are provided on the proposal and rough draft(s).

Revisions are very important and students proceed first to write a proposal (sometimes 2 or 3 versions) and then followed by a rough draft(s).

Students can only pass the class if they pass the writing portion of the class, and they will be apprised of this in the course syllabus.

Role of Grad Students: None