**FLORIDA CRIMINAL PROCEDURE**

Course LAW 6115 Spring 2018

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**“INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A THREAT TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE”**

[***Martin Luther King Jr.***](http://www.quotationspage.com/quotes/Martin_Luther_King_Jr./)*, Letter from Birmingham Jail, April 16, 1963*

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Professor Haughton Worrell: My office is in Bruton-Geer Hall 100C. I have office hours on Wednesdays from 11am to 1pm, and by appointment. If you need an appointment, please email me at haughton@law.ufl.edu or call (352) 273- 0800.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Florida Criminal Procedure is a two credit graded course. We meet on Monday from 10:00am to 11:40am.

This course will familiarize students with the Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure; give them a practical knowledge of how to use those rules to the advantage of their clients; and equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to litigate criminal cases in the state courts of Florida.

**COURSE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Students will obtain a working knowledge of theFlorida Rules of Criminal Procedure and be able to apply the rules appropriately.

**COURSE MATERIALS**

* Florida Criminal Practice and Procedure, 2017 ed. (Vol. 22, Florida Practice Series) Michael E. Allen
* West’s Florida Criminal Laws and Rules
* The Florida Statutes
* Hypotheticals

**PREPARATION**

ABA Standard 310 requires that students devote 2 hours to out-of-class preparation for every “classroom hour” of in-class instruction. Florida Criminal Procedure has 2 “classroom hours” of in-class instruction each week, requiring at least 4 hours of preparation outside of class.

**COURSE TECHNOLOGY**

The course calendar, assignments and class updates will be posted on the course TWEN/CANVAS page.

**The use of cell phones, computers and other electronic devices are prohibited during class with the exception of special activities requiring their use.**

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendance in class is crucial, excessive absences may lead to your being asked to drop the class. Two or more absences may be considered excessive. Three lateness’s will be counted as one absence. Religious observances will not count as absences with advance notice to the professor.

**EVALUATION**

CLASS GRADING SCALE

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| Attendance and Participation | 10 points |
| Quizzes | 60 points |
| Written Motion | 10 points |
| Oral Presentation | 15 points |
| Presentation Reflection | 5 points |
| **Total** | **100 points** |

GPA SCALE

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| Letter Grade | Point Equivalent |
| A (Excellent) | 4.0 |
| A- | 3.67 |
| B+ | 3.33 |
| B | 3.0 |
| B- | 2.67 |
| C+ | 2.33 |
| C (Satisfactory) | 2.0 |
| C- | 1.67 |
| D+ | 1.33 |
| D (Poor) | 1.0 |
| D- | 0.67 |
| E (Failure) | 0.0  |

**UF POLICIES**

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACCOMMODATING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: Students requesting accommodation for disabilities must first register with the Dean of Students Office (http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/). The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the instructor when requesting accommodation. You must submit this documentation prior to submitting assignments or taking the quizzes or exams. Accommodations are not retroactive, therefore, students should contact the office as soon as possible in the term for which they are seeking accommodations.

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT: Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Honor Code at http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php.

NETIQUETTE: COMMUNICATION COURTESY: All members of the class are expected to follow rules of common courtesy in all email messages, threaded discussions and chats. [Describe what is expected and what will occur as a result of improper behavior] http://teach.ufl.edu/docs/NetiquetteGuideforOnlineCourses.pdf

COURSE EVALUATION: Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

GETTING HELP: For issues with technical difficulties for E-learning in Sakai, please contact the UF Help Desk at:

* Learning-support@ufl.edu
* (352) 392-HELP - select option 2
* https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml

Any requests for make-ups due to technical issues MUST be accompanied by the ticket number received from LSS when the problem was reported to them. The ticket number will document the time and date of the problem. You MUST e-mail your instructor within 24 hours of the technical difficulty if you wish to request a make-up.

Other resources are available at http://www.distance.ufl.edu/getting-help for:

* Counseling and Wellness resources
* Disability resources
* Resources for handling student concerns and complaints
* Library Help Desk support

Should you have any complaints with your experience in this course please visit http://www.distance.ufl.edu/student-complaints to submit a complaint.

**FLORIDA CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SPRING 2018 COURSE SCHEDULE**

*Schedule is subject to change*

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| **Date** | **Topic** |
| Jan 8 | Introduction; Arrest; |
| Jan 15 | Dr. Martin Luther King Holiday; Classes Cancelled |
| Jan 22 | Pre-trial Detention & Release;  |
| Jan 29 | Right to counsel; self-representation, charging a crime |
| Feb 5 | Quiz |
| Feb 12 | Discovery |
| Feb19 | Competency of Defendant, Pre-trial Motions |
| Feb 26 | Speedy Trial; Double Jeopardy; Pleas |
| Mar 5 | Spring Break |
| Mar 12 | Jury Selection/ Trial; Jury Instructions |
| Mar 19 | Quiz; Projects |
| Mar 26 | Post-trial; Appeals; Sentencing (rules, statues) |
| April 2 | Sentencing (Sentencing Guideline Scoresheet) |
| April 9 | Ethics in Criminal Procedure |
| April 16 | Quiz; Projects |
| April 23 | Projects |