



## **GENDER AND CRIME**

### **CRIM2030/WOME2031**

**Prerequisites: CRIM1010 or CRIM1030 or WOME major**

*SUMMER 2020*

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**D2L link:** <https://mycourselink.lakeheadu.ca/d2l/le/content/68073/Home>

#### **Course Description and Learning Outcomes**

##### **Course Description**

A discussion of the intersections of gender, crime, and the criminal justice system. Specific topics could include: gender correlates of crime and victimization, gendered violence, masculinity and crime, and gendered experiences within criminal justice processes.

Credit Weight: 0.5

##### **Learning outcomes**

At the end of the course students should be able to:

1. List and explain key theoretical perspectives, concepts, and terminology used to understand how gender shapes our understanding of crime.
2. Recognize and describe how gender is central to the equality and equity of victimization experiences as well as the administration and outcomes of the criminal justice system.
3. Identify and describe the structures of the criminal justice system and the experiences of workers in relation to gender perspectives.
4. Apply facts and theories to critically analyze practical issues related to identify intersections (e.g., gender, race, class, and sexual orientation), crime and the criminal justice system within contexts of social inequality.

## **COURSE MATERIALS**

### **Required and Recommended Texts**

Britton, D. M., Jacobsen, S. K. & Howard, G. E. (2018). *The Gender of Crime*. Ed. 2.

Rowman & Littlefield Publishers. Lanham.

**Supplemental materials: Assigned journal articles**

**GRADING AND EVALUATION**

**Course Evaluation and Assessment Weighting**

Evaluation	Due Date	Value
1. Quiz 1 (Chapter 1-3)	May 18, 2020	30%
2. Quiz 2 (Chapter 4-6)	June 1, 2020	35%
2. Final exam (Journal articles)	June 16, 2020	35%

Late assignments and change in test dates will only be accommodated based on the University guidelines.

**Assessment Details**

**1. Quiz 1 (30%)**

This will consist of short answer and multiple choice questions.

**2. Quiz 2 (35%)**

This will consist of short answer and multiple choice questions.

**3. Final Exam: Journal articles on gender and crime (35%)**

This will consist of short answer and multiple choice questions.

**Students are advised to refer to the University Calendar to ensure that they have adequate grades and/or average to proceed in their program.**

## **COURSE SCHEDULE, READINGS AND KEY DATES**

### **COURSE SCHEDULE**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>May 1 Introduction</b>	Welcome & outline of objectives and expectation Course overview
<b>Week 1 May 4-8</b> <b>Gender lens of criminology</b>	Gender lens of criminology This unit discusses viewing crime and criminology through a gender perspective/ lens.  Gender and criminal offending This unit highlights crime and criminal offending by looking at a gender perspective.
<b>Week 2 May 11-15</b> <b>Criminal justice system &amp; crime victimization</b>	Gender of the Criminal justice system This unit discusses aspects of the criminal justice system from a gender perspective.  Staff in Criminal justice system This unit looks at the staff in a male dominated criminal justice system.
<b>Week 3 May 18-22</b> <b>The criminal justice system</b>	<b>Quiz 1</b>  Gender and work in the Criminal justice system This unit discusses the nature of work in the criminal justice system from a gender perspective.  Conclusion: Gender lens This unit provides a summary and highlights key points regarding gender and crime in the criminal justice system.
<b>Week 4 May 25-29</b>	Discussion and critical analysis of journal articles

**Week 5 June 1-12**

**Quiz 2**

Discussion and critical analysis of journal articles

**June 16**

**Final Examination**

Lakehead University Grading Scale	
A+	90-100%
A	80-89%
B	70-79%
C	60-69%
D	50-59%
E Fail	40-49%
F Fail	1-39%
F Academic Dishonesty	0%

**COURSE AND UNIVERSITY POLICIES**

**Course Drop Deadline**

Please be aware that the deadline to drop this course is **May 28, 2020**.

**Student Courtesy**

I expect all students to be respectful in their interactions with all persons involved with the course online.

**Tests, Exams and Term Work**

If you are going to miss a test, it is very important that you email me as soon as you know that you will be missing the test. Missed tests will be accommodated only in extraordinary circumstances that are supported by written documentation from a healthcare practitioner using the official Student Health Certificate, available at

<https://www.lakeheadu.ca/current-students/examination/medical-notes/node/10641>

Final examinations run on June 16, 2020. Midterm examinations for full courses and final examination for all courses are scheduled by the Registrar's Office. Students are strongly urged NOT to make any commitments (i.e., vacation, job related, or other travel plans) during either the term as a whole or the final examination period. Students are required to be available for all examinations during the periods for which they are scheduled (as published in course syllabus). It is your responsibility to check the final exam schedule and arrive at the scheduled date/time/location to avoid a grade of zero. There will be no rescheduling of examinations to accommodate holiday travel or extracurricular activities. No one will be allowed to write examinations prior to the scheduled date.

Extensions of deadlines for completion of assignments or writing of midterms/final examinations may be granted to students on the basis of illness, accident, or other extreme and legitimate

circumstances beyond their control. Consideration for deferrals will not normally be granted on the basis of vacation/travel plans or job-related obligations.

### **Academic Integrity**

Plagiarism, cheating and academic dishonesty of any kind will not be tolerated. Being caught engaging in any such activities will result in disciplinary action either within the course or at the university level. A listing of University Regulations can be found at:

<http://navigator.lakeheadu.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog.aspx?pageid=viewcatalog&catalogid=21&chapterid=3506&loadusercredits=False>. The code of student behaviour and disciplinary procedures can be found at: <https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/policies/student-related/code-of-student-behaviour-and-disciplinary-procedures>.

The following rules shall govern the treatment of students who have been found guilty of attempting to obtain academic credit dishonestly:

- (a) The minimum penalty for a student found guilty of plagiarism, or of cheating on any part of a course will be a zero for the work concerned.
- (b) A student found guilty of cheating on a formal examination or a test, or of serious or repeated plagiarism, or of unofficially obtaining a copy of an examination paper before the examination is scheduled to be written, will receive zero for the course and may be expelled from the University.

Students disciplined under the Code of Student Behaviour and Disciplinary Procedures may appeal their case through the Judicial Panel.

As per the *Lakehead University Student Code of Conduct – Academic Integrity*, students are required to act ethically and with integrity in academic matters and demonstrate behaviors that support the university's academic values. In submitting work for this course, students therefore affirm the following statements to be true:

- unless otherwise allowed by the course instructor, I have completed the work without the assistance of anyone;
- unless otherwise allowed by the course instructor, I have not accessed any sources or materials (print, online, or otherwise) in the completion of these quizzes or exams;
- unless otherwise allowed by the course instructor, these course materials are protected by copyright. Reproduction or dissemination of these materials or their contents or format in any manner whatsoever (e.g., sharing the content with other students) is strictly prohibited; And,
- unless otherwise allowed by the course instructor, and, in accordance with *Section III: Violations of this Academic Integrity Code*, I understand that providing any false or misleading information, or by accessing any outside assistance, constitutes a breach of academic integrity as outlined in Lakehead University's Academic Integrity and Policies.

### **Disability Accommodation**

If you have a disability that requires accommodations, I strongly encourage you to make use of those accommodations. I am here to assist you, but need your help in ensuring I accommodate

you properly. More generally, Lakehead is committed to maintaining a barrier-free environment so that students with disabilities can fully access programs, courses, services, and activities. Student Accessibility Services (SAS) coordinate services and facilitates reasonable academic accommodations for students with disabilities. Academic accommodations are provided on the basis of documentation of a disability. Additional information is available at the following campus website: <https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/sas>

## LAKEHEAD RESOURCES

If you find yourself having difficulty with the course material or any other difficulties in your student life, don't hesitate to ask for help! Come to me, or if it is about an issue beyond this class, please contact your academic advisors, or get help from any number of other support services on campus, including:

**The Student Success Centre** has many programs and support services in place to help you achieve your academic and personal goals while studying at Lakehead University. They provide academic support through tutoring services, career exploration, co-operative opportunities and leadership development. More information is available here <https://www.lakeheadu.ca/current-students/student-success-centre>.

**The Lakehead Library** provides access to resources, study rooms, and research support both online via chat and in person with more details available here <https://library.lakeheadu.ca/>.

**Public Computer Labs** are available on campus where you may write and/or print out your work. For more details go to <https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/helpdesk/computer-labs>.

**Student Life and Services** offers health and wellness resources both on and off campus, as well as opportunities for involvement in health and wellness activities. More information is available here <https://www.lakeheadu.ca/current-students/student-services/or>.

**Office of Human Rights and Equity.** You have the right to an education that is free from any form of discrimination. A wide variety of resources are available here <https://www.lakeheadu.ca/faculty-and-staff/departments/services/human-rights-and-equity/resources>

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