



**CRJU 1068 – CRIMINAL LAW
COURSE SYLLABUS
Fall Semester 2019 (202012)**

COURSE INFORMATION

Credit Hours/Minutes: 3/2250
Campus/Class Location: Swainsboro Campus, Building 2, Room 2159
Class Meets: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday: 1:00 -2:00pm
Course Reference Number (CRN): 20188
Preferred Method of Contact: [Nolan Martin \(nmartin@southeasterntech.edu\)](mailto:nmartin@southeasterntech.edu)

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Instructor Name: Nolan Martin
Campus/Office Location: Swainsboro Campus, Building 2, Room 2160
Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Email Address: [Nolan Martin \(nmartin@southeasterntech.edu\)](mailto:nmartin@southeasterntech.edu)
Phone: 478-289-2285
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Tutoring Hours: By appointment only

SOUTHEASTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE'S (STC) CATALOG AND HANDBOOK

Students are responsible for all policies and procedures and all other information included in Southeastern Technical College's [Catalog and Handbook \(http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php\)](http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php)

REQUIRED TEXT

Criminal Law. Thirteenth Edition. Gardner and Anderson. ISBN: 978-1-305-96640-6
The purchase of an access card will give students the text book option of an electronic copy, audio version, and printable version. Cengage Unlimited Printed Access Card. You may purchase the following options:
-One Semester Access: ISBN: 978-0-357-70003-7
-One Year Access: ISBN: 978-0-357-70004-4
-Two Year Access: ISBN: 978-0-357-70005-1

REQUIRED SUPPLIES & SOFTWARE

Each student should have a black pen, pencil, highlighter, paper and a three-ring notebook.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course introduces criminal law in the United States, but emphasizes the current specific status of Georgia criminal law. The course will focus on the most current statutory contents of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) with primary emphasis on the criminal and traffic codes. Topics include: historic development of criminal law in the United States; statutory law, Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.) Title 16 - Crimes and Offenses; statutory law, Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.) Title 40 - Motor Vehicle and Traffic Offenses; and Supreme Court rulings that apply to criminal law.

MAJOR COURSE COMPETENCIES

1. Historical Development of Criminal Law in the United States
2. Statutory Law: Georgia Code (O.C.G.A) Title 16 – Crimes and Offenses
3. Statutory Law: Georgia Code (O.C.G.A) Title 40 – Motor Vehicle and Traffic Offenses
4. Supreme Court Rulings that Apply to Criminal Law

PREREQUISITE(S)

Program Admission

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GENERAL EDUCATION CORE COMPETENCIES

STC has identified the following general education core competencies that graduates will attain:

1. The ability to utilize standard written English.
2. The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
3. The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

Students are expected to complete all work required by the instructor. Exceptions to the due dates of assignments due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor. There will be unannounced quizzes/assignments to discourage tardiness/absences. Students that miss an unannounced quiz or assignment will receive a grade of 0.

- Students are expected to complete all work individually. The student is responsible for finding out what has been missed or what is required of them during their absence.
- Midterm and final tests must be completed on the assigned date or taken on the date of the student's return. Failure to do so will result in a grade of zero, unless prior arrangements have been made with the instructor.
- Other (homework) assignments are due on the assigned date. Ten points may be deducted for each day late. Homework assignments may not be accepted after 1 day late and a grade of zero will be given.
- Chapter tests must be completed on the assigned date or taken on the date of the student's return. Failure to do so will result in a grade of zero, unless prior arrangements have been made with the instructor.
- Instructors reserve the right to give unannounced quizzes/assignments. Students who miss an unannounced quiz or assignment will receive a grade of 0. Students who stop attending class, but do not formally withdraw, may receive a grade of F and face financial aid repercussions in upcoming semesters.
- Instructors are responsible for determining whether missed work may be made up and the content and dates for makeup work is at the discretion of the instructor.
- Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an F in a course.

ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

Class attendance is a very important aspect of a student's success. Being absent from class prevents students from receiving the full benefit of a course and also interrupts the learning process. Southeastern Technical College considers both tardiness and leaving early as types of absenteeism. Responsibility for class attendance rests with the student. Regular and punctual attendance at all scheduled classes is required for student success. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

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STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class based on the impact of a disability are encouraged to contact the appropriate campus coordinator to request services.

Swainsboro Campus: [Macy Gay, \(mgay@southeasterntech.edu\)](mailto:mgay@southeasterntech.edu), 478-289-2274, Building 1, Room 1210

Vidalia Campus: [Helen Thomas, \(hthomas@southeasterntech.edu\)](mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3126, Building A, Room 165

SPECIFIC ABSENCES

Provisions for Instructional Time missed because of documented absences due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor.

PREGNANCY

Southeastern Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of pregnancy. However, we can offer accommodations to students who are pregnant that need special consideration to successfully complete the course. If you think you will need accommodations due to pregnancy, please make arrangements with the appropriate campus coordinator.

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Vidalia Campus: [Helen Thomas, \(hthomas@southeasterntech.edu\)](mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3126, Building A, Room 108

It is strongly encouraged that requests for consideration be made **PRIOR** to delivery and early enough in the pregnancy to ensure that all the required documentation is secured before the absence occurs. Requests made after delivery **MAY NOT** be accommodated. The coordinator will contact your instructor to discuss accommodations when all required documentation has been received. The instructor will then discuss a plan with you to make up missed assignments.

WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE

Students wishing to officially withdraw from a course(s) or all courses after the drop/add period and prior to the 65% point of the term in which student is enrolled (date will be posted on the school calendar) must speak with a Career Counselor in Student Affairs and complete a Student Withdrawal Form. A grade of "W" (Withdrawn) is assigned for the course(s) when the student completes the withdrawal form.

Important – Student-initiated withdrawals are not allowed after the 65% point. After the 65% point of the term in which the student is enrolled, the student has earned the right to a letter grade and will receive a grade for the course. Please note: Abandoning a course(s) instead of following official withdrawal procedures may result in a grade of "F" (Failing 0-59) being assigned.

Informing your instructor that you will not return to his/her course, does not satisfy the approved withdrawal procedure outlined above.

There is no refund for partial reduction of hours. Withdrawals may affect students' eligibility for financial aid for the current semester and in the future, so a student must also speak with a representative of the Financial Aid Office to determine any financial penalties that may be assessed due to the withdrawal. A grade of "W" will count in attempted hour calculations for the purpose of Financial Aid.

MAKEUP GUIDELINES (TESTS, QUIZZES, HOMEWORK, PROJECTS, ETC...)

Make-up of exams, assignments and projects will only be given when the student provides a legitimate excuse for missing the scheduled date. If the student does not make contact by email or phone with the instructor within 2 days of the scheduled date, then a grade of 0 will be given for the exam, assignment and/or project. Also, students who do not complete the exam, assignment, or project by the scheduled date will not be awarded any bonus or extra credit points that may be given by the instructor. Makeup guidelines do not include unannounced quizzes or unannounced assignments.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY

The STC Academic Dishonesty Policy states that all forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion, and falsification of information, will call for discipline. The policy can also be found in the STC Catalog and Student Handbook.

PROCEDURE FOR ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

The procedure for dealing with academic misconduct and dishonesty is as follows:

1. First Offense

Student will be assigned a grade of "0" for the test or assignment. Instructor keeps a record in course/program files and notes as first offense. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

2. Second Offense

Student is given a grade of "WF" (Withdrawn Failing) for the course in which offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of second offense. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

3. Third Offense

Student is given a grade of "WF" for the course in which the offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of third offense. The Vice President for Student Affairs, or designee, will notify the student of suspension from college for a specified period of time. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, gender, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member, or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law). This nondiscrimination policy encompasses the operation of all technical college-administered programs, federally financed programs, educational programs and activities involving admissions, scholarships and loans, student life, and athletics. It also applies to the recruitment and employment of personnel and contracting for goods and services.

All work and campus environments shall be free from unlawful forms of discrimination, harassment and retaliation as outlined under Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, Executive Order 11246, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, the Equal Pay Act, Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009, the Georgia Fair Employment Act of 1978, as amended, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and other related mandates under TCSG Policy, federal or state statutes.

The Technical College System and Technical Colleges shall promote the realization of equal opportunity through a positive continuing program of specific practices designed to ensure the full realization of equal opportunity.

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)/Section 504 - Equity- Title IX (Students) – Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Compliance Officer	Title VI - Title IX (Employees) – Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Officer
Helen Thomas, Special Needs Specialist Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 st Street, Vidalia Office 108 Phone: 912-538-3126 Email: Helen Thomas hthomas@southeasterntech.edu	Lanie Jonas, Director of Human Resources Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 st Street, Vidalia Office 138B Phone: 912-538-3230 Email: Lanie Jonas ljonas@southeasterntech.edu

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

Southeastern Technical College is committed to making course content accessible to individuals to comply with the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of America (ADA). If you find a problem that prevents access, please contact the course instructor.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Grievance procedures can be found in the Catalog and Handbook located on Southeastern Technical College's website.

ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

Students can now access Blackboard, Remote Lab Access, Student Email, Library Databases (Galileo), and BannerWeb via the mySTC portal or by clicking the Current Students link on the [Southeastern Technical College \(STC\) Website \(www.southeasterntech.edu\)](http://www.southeasterntech.edu).

TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA (TCSG) GUARANTEE/WARRANTY STATEMENT

The Technical College System of Georgia guarantees employers that graduates of State Technical Colleges shall possess skills and knowledge as prescribed by State Curriculum Standards. Should any graduate employee within two years of graduation be deemed lacking in said skills, that student shall be retrained in any State Technical College at no charge for instructional costs to either the student or the employer.

GRADING POLICY

Assessment/Assignment	Percentage
Assignments – Vocabulary and Chapter Questions	25%
Chapter Tests	25%
Midterm Exam	25%
Final Exam	25%

GRADING SCALE

Letter Grade	Range
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	0-59

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Fall Semester 2019 lesson plan

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week of Aug 13 - Aug 16	Chapter 1	Criminal Law: Purposes, Scope, and Sources Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	First Day of Fall Semester. Course Pledge. Student Information. Aug.13 Chapter 1 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case Aug. 15	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
Week of Aug 19 - Aug 23	Chapter 2	Jurisdiction Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	Chapter 2 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aug 22 	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
Week of Aug 26- 30	Chapter 3	Essential Elements of a Crime Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	Chapter 3 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aug 29 	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
Holiday Sep 2		Labor Day Holiday – September 2		
Week of Sept 3 - Sept 5	Chapter 4 Test #1	Criminal Liability Test #1 – Chapters 1-4 Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	Chapter 4 Assignment/ You Decide-Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sept 5 	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
Week of Sept 9- Sept 13	Chapter 5	Criminal Responsibility and the Capacity to Commit a Crime Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	Chapter 5 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sept 12 	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
Week of Sept 16 - Sept 20	Chapter 6	The Law Governing the Use of Force Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	Chapter 6 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sept 19 	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
	Chapter 7 Midterm Exam Review	Other Criminal Defenses Midterm Exam Chapters 1-7 Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 16 (Crimes and Offenses): Pages 192-459	Chapter7 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sept 26 	*1,2,4 **a,b,c
Week of Sep 30 - Oct 3	Chapter 8	Criminal Punishments Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 40 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic): Pages 763-1054	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Midterm Exam Sep 30 Chapter 8 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oct 3 	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week of Oct 7- Oct 10	Chapter 9	Free Speech, Street Crimes, and the Bill of Rights	Chapter 9 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case • Oct 10	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Week of Oct 14- Oct 17	Chapter 10	Homicide Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 40 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic): Pages 763-1054 Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 40 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic): Pages 763-1054	Chapter 10 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case • Oct 17	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Week of Oct 21 - Oct 24	Chapter 11 Test #3	Assault, Burglary, and Related Crimes Exam #3 – Chapters 8-11	Chapter 11 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case • Oct 24	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Week of Oct 28 - 31	Chapter 12	Sexual Assault, Rape, Prostitution, and Related Sex Crimes Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 40 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic): Pages 763-1054	Chapter 12 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case • Oct.31	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Week of Nov 4 - Nov 7	Chapter 13/14	Theft Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 40 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic): Pages 763-1054	Chapter 13/14 Assignment You Decide – Video Case • Nov 7	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Week of Nov 11- Nov 14	Chapter 15	White-Collar Crime, Cyber Crime and Commercial Crime Georgia Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – Title 40 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic): Pages 763-1054	Chapter 15 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case Nov 14	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Week of Nov 18 - Nov 20	Chapter 16	Drug Abuse and Alcohol Related Crimes Exam #4 – Chapters 12, 13, 15, 16	Chapter 16 Assignment/ You Decide – Video Case Nov 20	*1,2,3,4 **a,b,c
Nov 25	Final Review	Chapters 1-13 and 15-16 - Review	Review for Final Exam	
Nov 27	Final Exam	Final Exam: Chapters 1-13 and 15-16	Final Exam	

Competency Areas:

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2. **Statutory Law: Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.) Title 16 - Crimes and Offenses**
3. **Statutory Law: Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.) Title 40 – Motor Vehicle & Traffic Offenses**
4. **Supreme Court Rulings that Apply to Criminal Law**

General Core Educational Competencies

- a) The ability to utilize standard written English.
- b) The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
- c) The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

**NOTES:

- **Internet websites may be used during class to supplement and/or enhance instruction.**
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