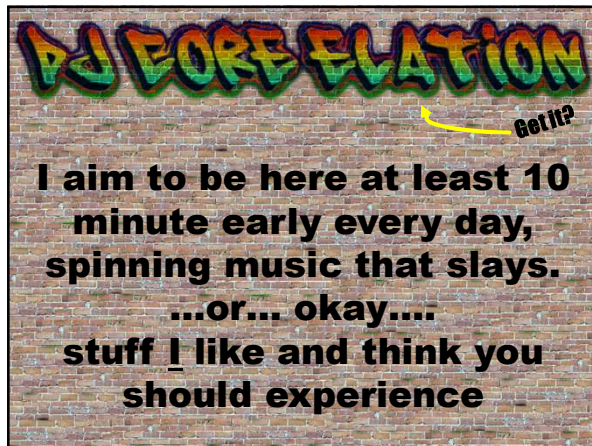
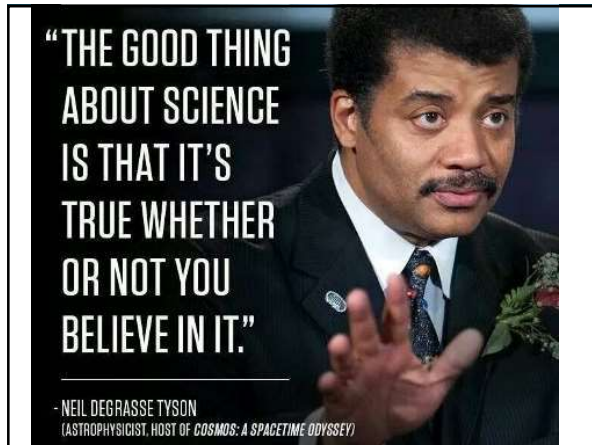




Announcements

- ▶ Most made online (1 so far @ Canvas)
- ▶ Lecture notes online, *after* lecture
- ▶ All follow a common pattern
 - ▶ Meme, Title, Announcements, Outline, Body
 - ▶ Bullets @ top of Body slides, reflect Outline
 - ▶ Quiz questions within lecture (next week)
 - ▶ Last slide tells you we're done
- ▶ Weekly meetings, 2 lectures each
 - ▶ 75 min, break, 75 min; Today, just ~90 min
 - ▶ Three days (9/4, 10/16, & 9/6) online via Zoom

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Introduction

ORIENTATION TO THE COURSE & INSTRUCTOR

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Who is this guy?

- ▶ **Name**
 - ▶ ~~Godard~~, Professor ~~Godard~~, ~~Dr.~~ Godard, ~~Ellis~~!
- ▶ **My story**
 - ▶ Germany, Georgia, Virginia, Santa Cruz
 - ▶ CSUN, UVA, SCU, PGSP...
 - ▶ CSR, ASR, CSR, & private consultant
 - ▶ Teach Stats, Methods, Sociology of Law, & Deviance
 - ▶ Expertise: Geometric Theory, Conflict Management, Phish
- ▶ **My Life**
 - ▶ Live in Moorpark
 - ▶ Wife & 2 kids (both now in college), no pets currently @
 - ▶ Volunteer fundraiser for music education (mbird.org)

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Introducing You

- ▶ **Class participation**
- ▶ **Office Hours (!!)**
- ▶ **Intake Form**
 - ▶ Survey Monkey, link in Canvas
 - ▶ Complete before 2nd meeting
- ▶ **Headshot**
 - ▶ Email one asap, please
- ▶ **Pick a contact method**
 - ▶ I use dozens, and will add (almost) any...

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Ancillary Objectives

- ▶ **Sociology**
 - ▶ Scientific study of social life (!)
 - ▶ Critical Sociology (~)
 - ▶ Criticism of Sociology (!)
- ▶ **Sociology of Law**
 - ▶ Agents, Systems, Processes, History
 - ▶ Facts, Patterns, & Problems
 - ▶ Changes, Explanations, & Solutions
- ▶ **In general: *scientific* problems**

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Course History

- ▶ **My Area of Expertise**
 - ▶ Crime & Deviance / Law & Social Control
- ▶ **Teaching History**
 - ▶ On-campus irregularly ('14, '16, '19, '22, '26)
 - ▶ Continuing to build & revise *this* semester's
 - ▶ Know content, but playing w/ rhythms
 - ▶ Call me deviant.. Go ahead ☺

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Readings

- ▶ **One text:**
 - ▶ Adler, *Criminology*, McGraw-Hill, 2024
- ▶ **Other recommendeds**
 - ▶ Will get more from you, for extra credit
 - ▶ Other "new" or "fun" (?) reads ☺

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Questions We Seek to Answer

- ▶ **What is "crime"?**
 - ▶ Definitions, Categories, & Contexts
- ▶ **Who commits crime?**
 - ▶ Under what *circumstances* is it committed?
 - ▶ Individualistic
 - ▶ Social Processes
 - ▶ Social Structural &
 - ▶ Other Explanations
- ▶ **How is crime processed / reacted to?**
 - ▶ Prohibitions, Policing, Processing, & Punishment

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Quiz App

- ▶ **PointSolutions app, from Echo360**
 - ▶ (was ResponseWare from Turning Tech.)
 - ▶ App itself is free, in any app store
 - ▶ Alt: rwpoll.com on any device
- ▶ **Also need account and subscription**
- ▶ **Use for quizzes, attendance, & feedback**
 - ▶ 1 opening q, then 1 every ~10 minutes
 - ▶ On 9/4, demo in 1st lecture, counts in 2nd

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Preface Overview Materials **Assignments** Quizzes Tests Short Papers

Assignments

- ▶ Meet w/ Me (1%)
- ▶ Reading from text + supplementals
- ▶ Attend (10%)
- ▶ Quiz during each class (14%)
- ▶ Papers (36%)
- ▶ Tests (39%)
 - ▶ "final work product"
- ▶ Lots of extra credit options

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Preface Overview Materials **Quizzes** Assignments Tests Short Papers

Quizzes

- ▶ Count 14% of course grade
 - ▶ 1 per lecture, ~27 total
 - ▶ Drop the lowest 3, so 24 count, ~0.58% each
- ▶ Embedded within the PowerPoints
 - ▶ 5 questions each lecture (10/day), 1 every 10 min or so
 - ▶ 1 from reading, 1 from a previous lecture, 1 from something I just said; other 2 a toss-up
- ▶ Grading
 - ▶ Each question counts 6 pts each (so, 70 to 100)
 - ▶ No makeups (if excused, avg. of remaining)
 - ▶ No app/access? Sign roll for 70 (minimum)
- ▶ First quiz is next class meeting
 - ▶ One demo, 2nd one counts

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Preface Overview Materials **Attendance** Assignments Quizzes Tests Short Papers

Attendance

- ▶ Roll or SRS
- ▶ Separately for the two lectures (after 8/28)
- ▶ Documented Excuses
- ▶ Minimum 2/3 attendance to pass

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Preface Overview Materials **Tests** Assignments Quizzes Short Papers

Tests

- ▶ 3 tests @ 39% -> 13% each
 - ▶ Multiple choice, online, open book/note, 1 week to complete, no other time limit within that week
- ▶ Based on Missed Points
 - ▶ Not percentage based (arbitrary cutoffs)
 - ▶ Not a normalized (forced) "bell curve"
 - ▶ Grades reflect performance, which isn't bell-shaped
 - ▶ No assumptions about difficulty
 - ▶ Resolves external factors (quakes, strikes, fire...)
- ▶ Complex formula (means, std. deviations, etc.)
 - ▶ Separate PPT derives & explains
 - ▶ "Curve" around 80, but Class average closer to

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Preface Overview Materials **Meeting** Assignments Quizzes Tests Short Papers

Meeting

- ▶ Plan out a trajectory
 - ▶ In this course, this semester, and beyond
- ▶ Must occur before September 18th
 - ▶ So, sometime in the next 3 weeks
 - ▶ No credit for this after that day
- ▶ Must be private
 - ▶ Office hours or one-on-one Zoom, not here

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Preface Overview Materials **Short Papers** Assignments Quizzes Tests

Short Papers

- ▶ Four Options – You'll Pick 3
 - ▶ Annotated Bibliography
 - ▶ Theoretical Reflection
 - ▶ Research Proposal
 - ▶ Biographical
- ▶ Count 36% total, so 12% each
 - ▶ If you do all 4, they count 9% each

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Short Papers - Options

- ▶ Detailed info on each OTW in Canvas, but briefly:
- ▶ **Annotated Bibliography**
 - ▶ 5 scholarly sources about some deviant behavior
- ▶ **Theoretical Reflection**
 - ▶ Compare & contrast 2 theoretical strategies
 - ▶ Apply each to 2 examples of deviant behavior
 - ▶ Assess their explanatory power
- ▶ **Research Proposal**
 - ▶ Imagine unlimited budget (money, staff, time)
 - ▶ Detail a project to study some kind of deviance
- ▶ **Biographical**
 - ▶ Exploration of one figure in crime, policing, or criminology

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Course Schedule

- ▶ **Full in Canvas**
 - ▶ Topics, readings, handouts, etc.
 - ▶ Lectures never up in advance; avail soon after
- ▶ **Frequently updated online**
 - ▶ New handouts and/or data
 - ▶ Readings and/or due dates may shift
 - ▶ New links or resources will be added
- ▶ **You're responsible for checking site**
 - ▶ Schedule on Canvas supersedes all others, inc. anything printed or distributed

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Short Papers - Submission

- ▶ **Submit online**
 - ▶ I'll print, give feedback, return PDF by email
- ▶ **Simple grading**
 - ▶ Check + (95), Check (85), Check Minus (75)
 - ▶ Nailed it, pretty much ok, or especially weak
 - ▶ 0 if insufficient or just not the assignment
 - ▶ Turnitin plagiarism estimate is small part of grade
- ▶ **Writing matters**
 - ▶ No run-ons, sentence fragments, etc.
 - ▶ Print and edit everything before submitting
 - ▶ This is college. Write like it © See Center!
 - ▶ YOU write it – no AI, Grammarly, etc.

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Preface Overview Materials Assignments **Schedule Snapshot** Quizzes 36

Schedule Snapshot

Day	Fa'26	Due	Course Section	Lecture Topic	Adler	Etc
1	Fri Sep 3		1 COURSE ORIENTATION	Issues, Eras, & Myths	Chapt. 1	-
2	Fri Sep 4		2	Assessing Crime	Chapt. 2	-
3	Fri Sep 11		3	Individualistic Accounts	Classical Accounts	Chapt. 3
4	Fri Sep 18		4	Against Individualism	Biology & Psychology	Chapt. 4
5	Fri Sep 25	Biblio	5	Social Process Accounts	Strain & Cultural Theories	Chapt. 5
6	Fri Oct 2		6	Subcultural Theory	Learning & Developmental	Chapt. 6
7	Fri Oct 9	Test1	7	Socio-Structural Accounts	Bonding & Social Control	Chapt. 7
8	Fri Oct 16		8	Conflict	Labeling Theory	Chapt. 8
9	Fri Oct 23	Theory	9	Social Geometry	Pure Sociology	Chapt. 9
10	Fri Oct 30		10	Victimology	Critical Theory	Chapt. 10
11	Fri Nov 6	Test2	11	Crime Categories	Predation	Chapt. 11
12	Fri Nov 13		12	Enterprise Crime	Political Crime	Chapt. 12
13	Fri Nov 20	Proposal	13	Technology	Globalization	Chapt. 13
14	Fri Dec 4	Bio	14	Public Order Crimes	Prohibitions	Chapt. 14
15	Fri Dec 11		15	Criminal Justice System	Punishment	Chapt. 15
16	Fri Dec 18	Test3	16	Thanksgiving	Policing	Chapt. 16
17	Fri Dec 25		17	Prosecution	Reducing Crime	Chapt. 17
18	Fri Dec 31		18	The Future of Criminology		Chapt. 18

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Early Penalty / Late Bonus

- ▶ **Like most faculty, I penalize late papers**
 - ▶ 5% (a full letter grade) for each class meeting papers are late
 - ▶ Papers are due at *start* of lecture, 10 min grace, no exceptions
 - ▶ This is for your benefit (so you won't get lost), for my benefit (so that I can grade all of one assignment at the same time), and for other students' benefit (so that grading is consistent)
- ▶ **But unlike anyone I know, I reward early work**
 - ▶ 2% for each class meeting that a paper is submitted early
 - ▶ Must be submitted by *start* of the previous class
 - ▶ **Papers only** (obviously?)
- ▶ **Four (4) class meeting maximum on either**
 - ▶ You can submit more than 4 days early, but cap of 8% bonus
 - ▶ You can submit more than 4 days late, but won't earn credit

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Extra Credit

- ▶ **Built in to assignments**
 - ▶ Drop 3 lowest quizzes
 - ▶ Bonus questions on tests
 - ▶ Fourth paper option
- ▶ **Optional Opportunities**
 - ▶ Recommended Reading
 - ▶ Book Review
 - ▶ Sociological Songs
 - ▶ Bloopers Bounty

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Course Resources

- ▶ **Canvas**
 - ▶ Course Syllabus (read tonight!)
 - ▶ Intake Form & Grade Report (links @ top)
 - ▶ Schedule of topics, readings, & assignments
 - ▶ Lectures, Handouts, Data, etc. (subdirectories)
 - ▶ Lots of help files, supplementary guides, etc.
 - ▶ Intake Form (...)
- ▶ www.csun.edu/~egodard/355

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Contact Options

- ▶ **Phone – x4050 or 919-EGODARD**
 - ▶ Call, TXT, SMS, MMS, etc.
 - ▶ Voice mails come to me as TXT & Email, too
- ▶ **Email**
 - ▶ Official form of communication @ CSUN
 - ▶ Need preferred address for updates, grade reports (see Intake)
 - ▶ I'll use for returning all graded work, progress reports, and more
- ▶ **Video**
 - ▶ No Facetime, but all of the rest (Zoom, Insta, Facebook, Skype)
- ▶ **Social Media**
 - ▶ Staples: Facebook, Instagram, Threads, X, Bluesky, Snapchat, Discord
 - ▶ Plenty of alternatives [see Contact page in Canvas]
 - ▶ From formal (LinkedIn) to Informal (Phish.net, Chess.com, CODM)

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Course Syllabus

- ▶ **Up this afternoon**
- ▶ **Only 1st 1/3 or so is course-specific**
 - ▶ Overview, Objectives, Readings, Assignments
- ▶ **Rest is General Course Guidelines**
 - ▶ Very extensive - all the generic required stuff
 - ▶ Things you & I are expected to do (& to not do)
 - ▶ Some stuff may be new to you:
 - ▶ Esp. policies (late, attendance, academic dishonesty)
- ▶ **Note, in particular, grade distribution**
 - ▶ More on grading process later

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Next Steps...

- ▶ **Get Text & Subscription**
- ▶ **Check Canvas**
- ▶ **Complete Intake form**
 - ▶ Before 2nd class, please
- ▶ **Read Syllabus (inc. Gen. Guidelines)**
 - ▶ Email w/ any questions or concerns
- ▶ **Send a headshot/selfie, asap**
 - ▶ Or invite to Facebook or Instagram
- ▶ Canvas pics too small ☹

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Intake Form

- ▶ **Things I need to know to serve you best**
- ▶ **Linked from Homepage & Today's Module**
 - ▶ Also noted in syllabus & coming email
- ▶ **Some items esp. required!**
 - ▶ Must give me a codename!
 - ▶ Must answer questions @ end
- ▶ **Submit ASAP (b4 next meeting, please)**
 - ▶ When you submit do, you consent to the syllabus and those general Guidelines

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see you next time...

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