



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL AND CULTURAL STUDIES
Te Kura Mahinga Tangata

Institute of Criminology

CRIM 325

Recreational Drug Use, Risk and Leisure

Course Outline

CRN: 25009: 20 POINTS: TRIMESTER 1, 2013

Trimester dates: 4 March to 3 July 2013

Teaching dates: 4 March 2013 to 7 June 2013

Easter break: No lectures 28, 29 March & 1, 2, 3 April, Lectures resume 4th April

Mid-trimester break: 22 to 28 April 2013

Study week: 10 – 14 June 2013

Examination/Assessment Period: 14 June to 3 July 2013

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LECTURES: FRIDAY 11 AM – 1PM: HU LT220

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CRIM 325 – Recreational Drug Use, Risk and Leisure

Teaching Programme:

Week	Lecture Date	Friday 11am – 1pm HU LT220
1	8 th March	Introduction: What is recreational drug use and why is it important?
2	15 th March	The prevalence of recreational drug use: NZ, UK & AUS
3	22 nd March	Social change, uncertainty and risk: drivers of recreational drug use?
4	29 th March*	Good Friday, no class
5	5 th April*	Social change, consumption, pleasure and hedonism: drivers of recreational drug use?

**** Easter Break***

No lectures 28th 29th March or 1st 2nd 3rd April. Lectures resume on Thursday 4th April

6	12 th April	The normalisation of drug use
7	19 th April	Legal highs: Harmless fun or dangerous drugs?

Mid Trimester Break

Friday 19th April – Friday 26th April

8	3 rd May	The construction of recreational drug use & drug users: stereotypes, myths and challenges
9	10 th May	Recreational drug use and harm reduction

10	17 th May	Recreational drug use, stigma, femininities & masculinities
11	24 th May	Recreational drug use, the law and prohibition
12	31 st May	Seen In-Class Test
13	7 th June*	What should we do about recreational drug use?

*Monday 3rd June = Queen's birthday, public holiday

COURSE COORDINATOR

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OFFICE HOUR:

Friday 9-10 am

If you are not able to see Fiona during her regular office hour please make an appointment for an alternative time.

LECTURES:

Start week commencing 4 March

Friday 11am – 1pm in Hunter, lecture theatre 220

NOTICE BOARD:

There are noticeboards on levels 9 and 11 of the Murphy Building where general information that may be of interest to you, is displayed.

Note: The Institute, which is located on level 11 of Murphy Building, Kelburn Parade, is generally open from 9am - 4pm.

COURSE PRESCRIPTION

This course will help students to critically interrogate the use of drugs in a recreational setting. It will explore the socially constructed boundaries between recreational and 'problem' drug use, and between licit and illicit use.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students who complete this course will be able to;

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the key theories and concepts associated with recreational drug use, risk and leisure.
2. Critically evaluate the social construction of recreational and 'problem' drug use and drug users.
3. Evaluate the contested and complex relationship between drug use, context, harm, risk and pleasure.
4. Critically read and challenge criminological texts (books, journal, articles) in terms of the debates surrounding drug use and control of drugs and drug users

COURSE STRUCTURE

CRIM 325 will be taught in 1 two hour weekly lecture slot and one tutorial session per week of one hour. The course will have a guest lecturer Associate Professor Julian Buchanan who will deliver some of the lectures. Tutorials for CRIM 325 are compulsory and start in the second week of trimester. Lectures may include workshop type activities asking students to reflect on the issues raised. It is expected that students take part in these activities and come prepared having done the weekly readings as set out in the student notes. In tutorials students will also be expected to take part in group discussions and tasks based on the readings for that week and the particular topic that is highlighted in the teaching programme. Please make sure you come to lectures and tutorials having completed the readings for that week.

TUTORIALS

Sign up for tutorials will be via S-cubed - please see the link below:

<https://signups.victoria.ac.nz>

Use your usual student logon to sign into S-Cubed.

S-cubed will be open for tutorial sign up from 25th February – 15th March

Tutorial times and rooms are;

Wednesday 11.00-11.50	VZ 104	No tutorial on Wednesday 3rd April (Easter Break)
Thursday 2.10-3.00	VZ 510	No tutorial on Thursday 28th March (Easter break)
Friday 1.10-2.00	KK106	No tutorial on Friday 29th March (Easter break)
Friday 2.10-3.00	KK203	No tutorial on Friday 29th March (Easter break)

COMMUNICATION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information related to the course will be posted on Blackboard. This includes extra readings, resources, essay writing tips, newspaper articles and so on. Students are encouraged to use the discussion board to post general queries about assignments and course material. The discussion board can also be used to post any relevant newspaper articles/resources or comments on course material that other students (and lecturers!) may find interesting.

COURSE READINGS

Student notes have been prepared for you to purchase from vicbooks. These are the only readings required for this course.

All undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from the Memorial Theatre Foyer from 11 February to 15 March 2013, while postgraduate textbooks and student notes will be available from vicbooks' new store, Ground Floor Easterfield Building, Kelburn Parade. After week two of the trimester all undergraduate textbooks and student notes will be sold from vicbooks, Easterfield Building.

Customers can order textbooks and student notes online at www.vicbooks.co.nz or can email an order or enquiry to enquiries@vicbooks.co.nz. Books can be couriered to customers or they can be picked up from nominated collection points at each campus. Customers will be contacted when they are available.

Opening hours are 8.00 am – 6.00 pm, Monday – Friday during term time (closing at 5.00 pm in the holidays). Phone: 463 5515.

ASSESSMENT

The assessment requirements for this course are as follows:

1. Book review
2. Essay
3. Two hour, 'seen' in-class test

Book Review

Related course objectives

On completion of CRIM 325 students should be able to

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the key theories and concepts associated with recreational drug use, risk and leisure.
4. Critically read and challenge criminological texts (books, journal, articles) in terms of the debates surrounding drug use and control of drugs and drug users

The book review is the first piece of assessment for this course and is worth **20% of your final grade**. Your book review should not exceed 2000 words. This piece of assessment is an opportunity to discuss some of the main academic debates that inform this course.

Note: The book you choose should not be an edited volume. If you have any doubts about the suitability of your chosen book please see Fiona for some guidance.

The due date for the book review is Friday 5 April 2013 by 4pm

As Germov (1996, 'Get Great Marks for Your Essays') details, some basic guidelines about how to complete a book review are as follows:

- It should have an introduction, use supporting evidence, have a conclusion and be referenced.
- Avoid simply describing or repeating what the author says – you need to explain what the author is saying.
- A key aspect of a review is the evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the particular work.

Essay

Related course objectives

On completion of CRIM 325 students should be able to

2. Critically evaluate the social construction of recreational and 'problem' drug use and drug users.
4. Critically read and challenge criminological texts (books, journal, articles) in terms of the debates surrounding drug use and control of drugs and drug users

This piece of assessment is worth **30% of your final grade** for this course and should not exceed 3000 words in length. The essay should have a clear structure and be a properly referenced discussion of your ideas that answers the question set.

The due date for the essay is Friday 17 May 2013 4pm

Seen In-class Test

Related course objectives

On completion of CRIM 325 students should be able to

3. Evaluate the contested and complex relationship between drug use, context, harm, risk and pleasure.
4. Critically read and challenge criminological texts (books, journal, articles) in terms of the debates surrounding drug use and control of drugs and drug users

This piece of assessment is worth **50% of your final grade** for this course. The test will be two hours long and given out in the lecture on **Friday 17 May** and posted on BB on **Monday 20 May**. Using a 'seen' test as a piece of assessment gives students the opportunity to pick questions that they are interested in and to research and read around these chosen questions. This is also an expectation, that students will prepare for the test, and it will be marked accordingly.

The date of the test is 31st May

When written work is marked, four areas will be considered:

1. The content of the paper
2. Structure, approach and argument
3. The way in which source material has been used
4. Style and presentation.

First, your assignments must address and be relevant to the question or task set. Secondly, you should show that you have thought about the topic and reached your own conclusions on it. It is therefore important that your assignments present a logically developed flow of argument which follows an analysis of the topic, and that this argument can be supported by the accurate presentation of supporting evidence. Thirdly, you should acknowledge accurately the sources used, and should choose representative evidence. Fourthly, it is expected that your assignments will:

- flow coherently
- be succinct
- be legible and well set out
- be of reasonable length
- show a good knowledge of grammar, correct spelling and correct usage of terms.

Notes:

- It is most important that you do not exceed the word limit. Students are advised that examiners may refuse to mark that part of the assignment that is in excess of the word limit.
- Students are advised that Institute staff members are not allowed to comment or provide feedback on draft assignments. It is possible, however, for students to discuss assignments in general terms.
- The deadline for delivery of essays on the due date is 4.00pm. (The Institute of Criminology operates from 9am-4pm Monday to Friday only.) The assignment should be placed in the essay box on Level 9, Murphy Building.
- Please note that that students are expected to adhere to University guidelines regarding the avoidance of plagiarism.

MANDATORY COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To meet mandatory course requirements students must:

- Submit the book review no later than 4pm Friday 5 April 2013
- Submit the essay no later than 4pm Friday 17 May 2013
- Complete the 'seen' in-class test on Friday 31 May 2013 in the lecture slot 11am-1pm
- Attend 7 out of 9 tutorials unless prevented by illness or other reasonable cause. An example of reasonable circumstance would be illness supported by a letter from a medical practitioner.

WITHDRAWAL DATES

Information on withdrawals and refunds may be found at

<http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/admisenrol/payments/withdrawalsrefunds>

CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

A class representative will be elected in the first class. The class representative provides a communication channel to liaise with the Course Coordinator on behalf of students. The Class representative's name and contact details will be available to VUWSA, the Course Coordinator and the class.

PENALTIES FOR LATE SUBMISSIONS

Assignments must be handed in by the due date. You are expected to keep to this deadline, as otherwise it is unfair to other students. Extensions will be granted only in exceptional circumstances, and should be sought from Fiona **prior to the deadline**. An example of an exceptional circumstance would be illness supported by a letter from a medical practitioner.

Please note: lack of organisation, word-processing failures and other work demands are not “good reasons”.

Late submission of work without permission will be penalised by the following deductions:

One grade = period up to and including 24 hours past due date.

Two grades = period from 24 hours up to and including 72 hours past due date

Work that is handed in later than 72 hours without permission will not be accepted.

WORKLOAD

Taking into account class attendance, preparatory reading, research for assignments and so on students should spend around 13 hours per week working for CRIM 325.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PLAGIARISM

Academic integrity means that university staff and students, in their teaching and learning are expected to treat others honestly, fairly and with respect at all times. It is not acceptable to mistreat academic, intellectual or creative work that has been done by other people by representing it as your own original work.

Academic integrity is important because it is the core value on which the University’s learning, teaching and research activities are based. Victoria University’s reputation for academic integrity adds value to your qualification.

The University defines plagiarism as presenting someone else’s work as if it were your own, whether you mean to or not. ‘Someone else’s work’ means anything that is not your own idea. Even if it is presented in your own style, you must acknowledge your sources fully and appropriately. This includes:

- Material from books, journals or any other printed source
- The work of other students or staff
- Information from the internet
- Software programs and other electronic material
- Designs and ideas
- The organisation or structuring of any such material

Find out more about plagiarism, how to avoid it and penalties, on the University’s website: <http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/plagiarism>

WHERE TO FIND MORE DETAILED INFORMATION

Find key dates, explanations of grades and other useful information at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study. Find out how academic progress is monitored and how enrolment can be restricted at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/academic-progress. Most statutes and policies are available at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about/policy, except qualification statutes, which are available via the *Calendar* webpage at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/study/calendar (See Section C).

Other useful information for students may be found at the website of the Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Academic), at www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about/avcacademic.

Information for Māori Students: http://www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/slss/infofor/maoristudents

or

www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/tpa/index

Information for Pasifika students: http://www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/slss/infofor/pasifikastudents

or

www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/tpa/index

OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION

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USEFUL WEBSITES

The websites listed below are intended as places where you can research additional material, examples and statistics for your essays. You may also find additional or interesting issues which can be raised in seminars. However please make sure that you do not write assignments solely from these sources – academic references must be the main sources used in your academic writing. When using websites for research it is important to bear in mind which organisation has produced them. For example groups like the police or the sensible sentencing trust will have a particular view on issues relating to crime, criminality and punishment – make sure you critically analyse website material.

<http://www.justice.govt.nz/>

<http://www.msd.govt.nz/>

<http://www.myd.govt.nz/>

<http://www.police.govt.nz/service/statistics/>

<http://www.corrections.govt.nz>

<http://www.rethinking.org.nz>

JOURNALS

Useful journals for this course are;

Australian and New Zealand Journal of Criminology

Addiction Research and Theory

British Journal of Criminology

Contemporary Drug Problems

Criminology and Criminal Justice

Current Issues in Criminal Justice

Drug and Alcohol Review

International Journal of Drug Policy

Journal of Contemporary Drug Issues

Journal of Drug and Alcohol Education

Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency

Probation Journal

Theoretical Criminology

REFERENCES LIST

To get you started some books you may find useful are as follows;

Bennett, T. and Holloway, K. (2005) *Understanding drugs, alcohol and crime*, Maidenhead, Open University Press.

Comber, R (1998) *The Control of Drugs and Drug Users: Reason or reaction?* Harwood Academic publishers.

Ferrell, J, Hayward, K and Young, J (2008) *Cultural Criminology, an Invitation* London, Sage.

Hadfield, P. (2006) *Bar Wars: contesting the night in contemporary British cities*, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Hadfield, P (2009) (Ed) *Nightlife and Crime: Social Order and Governance in International Perspective*, Oxford University Press.

Hutton, F. (2006) *Risky Pleasures? Club cultures and feminine identities*, Aldershot, Ashgate.

Karastedt, S, Loader, I and Strang, H (2011) (Eds) *Emotions, Crime and Justice*, Oxford, Hart Publishing.

Manning, P (2007) *Drugs and Popular Culture: Drugs, media and identity in contemporary society*, Abingdon, Willan.

Moore, D & Fraser, S (2011) (Eds) *The Drug Effect, Health, Crime and Society*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

Stevens, A (2011) *Drugs Crime and Public Health, The Political Economy of Drug Policy*, Routledge, Abingdon

Stockwell, T, Gruenewald, P, Toumbourou, J, Loxley, W. (eds.) (2005) *Preventing Harmful Substance Use: the evidence base for policy and practice*, Chichester, Wiley and Sons Ltd.

REPORTS

Casswell, S and Bhatta, K. (2001) *A decade of drinking: ten year trends in drinking patterns in Auckland, New Zealand, 1990-1999*, Alcohol and Public health Research Unit, University of Auckland.

Habgood, A. (2001) *Drinking in New Zealand: national surveys comparison 1995 & 2000*, Alcohol and Public health Research Unit, University of Auckland.

NZ Law commission (2011) *Controlling and Regulating Drugs – A Review of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975*. Available at;

http://www.lawcom.govt.nz/project/review-misuse-drugs-act-1975?quicksite=23&terms_of_reference

NZ Law Commission (2010) '*Alcohol In Our Lives: Curbing the Harm*' Available at;
http://www.lawcom.govt.nz/project/review-regulatory-framework-sale-and-supply-liquor?quicktabs_23=report

REFERENCING GUIDELINES

The following format for referencing is from the 6th Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (2009). We encourage you to learn and use the format for referencing as part of the coursework done for the Institute of Criminology. If you need further information, please consult the latest edition of the Manual in the library.

1. Journals (Periodicals)

The referencing format for the articles are identical in general and yet they slightly differ from one another depending upon the publication formats such as print articles, electronic articles with DOIs (digital object identifiers) or electronic articles without DOIs.

(a) Electronic articles - two authors

Bingham, C. R., & Shope, J. T. (2004). Adolescent problem behavior and problem driving in young adulthood. *Journal of Adolescent Research*, 19(2), 205-223. doi.: 10.1177/0743558403258269

In text, use the following each time the work cited: (Bingham & Shope, 2004). Or, Bingham and Shop (2004) have argued...

(b) Electronic Article without DOI - one author publication

Henderson, L. N. (1985). The wrongs of victim's rights. *Stanford Law Review*, 37(5), 937-1021.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Henderson, 1985). Or, Henderson (1985) has suggested... (note: this style applies to all those below as well).

(c) Print only articles - Three or more author publication

Lang, A. R., Goeckner, D. J., Adesso, V. J., & Marlatt, G. A. (1975). Effects of alcohol on aggression in male social drinkers. *Journal of Abnormal Psychology, 84*(5), 508-518.

In text, use the following the first time the work is cited: (Lang, Goeckner, Adesso & Marlatt, 1975), and every time after this first citation as: (Lang et al., 1975).

(d) Journal article in press

Corcoran, D. L., & Williamson, E. M. (in press). Unlearning learned helplessness. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*.

In text. Use the following each time the work is cited: (Corcoran & Williamson, in press).

(e) Magazine Article

Reid, B. (1993, September 20). Looking into a child's future. *Time, 589*, 34-44.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Reid, 1993).

(f) Newspaper article, no author

Jail terms vary for bank robbers (1992, November 7). *Dominion*, p. 3.

In text, use a short title following each time the work is cited: For example ("Jail Terms", 1992) or (Dominion, 7.11.92).

2. Books

(a) Reference to one author

Pratt, J. (1992). *Punishment in a perfect society*. Wellington: Victoria University Press.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Pratt, 1992)

(b) Reference to a two author book, second edition

Downes, D. & Rock, P. (1982). *Understanding deviance* (2nd ed.). Oxford: Clarendon Press.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Downes & Rock, 1982)

(c) Reference to a chapter in an edited book

Ford, D. A., & Regoli, M. J. (1993). The criminal prosecution of wife assaulters: Process, problems, and effects. In N. Z. Hilton (Ed.), *Legal responses to wife assault: Current trends and evaluation* (pp. 127-164). California: Sage.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Ford & Regoli, 1993)

3. Research Reports

(a) Government reports

Ministerial Committee of Inquiry into Pornography. (1989). *Pornography*. Wellington: Ministerial Committee of Inquiry into Pornography.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Ministerial Committee of Inquiry into Pornography, 1989).

(b) Report available from government department, private author

Brown, M. M. (1992). *Decision making in district prison boards*. Wellington: Department of Justice.

In text, use the following each time the work is cited: (Brown, 1992).

(c) University research report

Deane, H. (1988). *The social effects of imprisonment on male prisoners and their families* (Study Series No.2). Wellington: Victoria University of Wellington, Institute of Criminology.

4. The Internet

Where possible follow the format as for printed pages; that is, author, date, title, publication and so on. While this detail is not always provided, what is provided should be referenced. Additional information required is the address or location of the information and the date on which you viewed or downloaded it.

Rethinking Crime and Punishment (2010) *Restorative Justice in New Zealand*. Retrieved from: <http://www.rethinking.org.nz/restorative%20justice.htm>. 15 August 2009.

When citing a work that has no author, use the first few words of the reference list entry, usually a short version of the title: (Restorative Justice, 2010)

5. Quoting Sources

Use quotation marks (“ ”) for direct quotes and also provide a page number. For example:

Macpherson (1999: 28) defines institutional racism as “The collective failure of an organisation to provide an appropriate and professional service to people because of their colour, culture, or ethnic origin”.

If the quotation is more than three lines long, it should be indented and does not require quotation marks. For example:

Macpherson (1999: 28) states that institutional racism is:

The collective failure of an organisation to provide an appropriate and professional service to people because of their colour, culture, or ethnic origin. It can be seen or detected in processes, attitudes and behaviour which amount to discrimination through unwitting prejudice, ignorance, thoughtlessness and racist stereotyping which disadvantages minority ethnic people.

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Assignment Cover Sheet

(please write legibly)

Full Name: _____
(Last name) *(First name)*

Student ID: _____ Course (eg ANTH101): _____

Tutorial Day: _____ Tutorial Time: _____

Tutor (if applicable): _____

Assignment Due Date: _____

CERTIFICATION OF AUTHENTICITY

I certify that this paper submitted for assessment is the result of my own work, except where otherwise acknowledged

Signed: _____ Date: _____