

Syllabus- Criminology Internship Program
Sociology 3593-01
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The objective of the Criminology Internship Program is to provide an opportunity for students to gain first-hand experience working in a criminal justice agency. While the emphasis of the course is oriented towards gaining practical experience, students are expected to incorporate past course work into their internship experience. This will be manifested in the form of a journal and final paper.

In addition to the valuable hands on experience and academic credited received, many students are fortunate enough to be offered employment in the agency where they served their internship. Doing an internship is an excellent way to gain future employment or get to know people who can write meaningful letters of recommendation for you.

*****An orientation meeting will be held for all students registered for the class on Thursday, September 6, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. in room BEH 109. Please plan on attending.**

Course Requirements: Students are expected to spend **100 hours** during the semester in a criminal justice agency. In addition, students must keep a chronological account of their activities in a journal and write a short research paper on a topic related to their internship.

Select an agency from the list below and setup an appointment with the contact person. Once the agency has agreed to sponsor your internship you should start attending the agency on a regular basis.

Breakdown of final grade:

Fifty percent of your final grade will be determined based on the recommendation of your agency supervisor. Recommendations are received verbally by the director from the agency supervisor at the end of the semester.

Fifteen percent of your final grade will be based on a journal submitted at the end of the semester. **Assignment:** Prepare a journal based on the experiences you have had during your internship. Your journal can include (but is not limited to) personal observations, descriptions of particular events, a discussion of issues related to your

agency or a combination of these components. Whichever format you choose, your journal should represent a **chronology** of events that have occurred in your internship and be a minimum of 10 pages (double spaced).

Ten percent of your grade will be based on a summary of your internship experience. **Assignment:** Note the strengths and weaknesses of your internship and include a recommendation as to whether future interns should be placed in the agency. Justify your response. This section should occur at the end of your journal. Your journal must be typed.

Twenty-five percent of your final grade will be based on a final paper. **Assignment:** Prepare a 5-10 page research paper on a topic related to your internship experience. Try and pick a topic you were introduced to as a result of your internship experience that you would like to explore further. Your paper should be typed (double-spaced), spell checked, and conform to contemporary grammatical rules and conventions. In addition, your paper should follow the stylistic guidelines contained in the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (6th edition)*. This manual is available at the bookstore or can be checked out at the library. Formatting information is also available on the internet.

Required Format

Title Page (**must include your name, your email address, agency, current supervisor, supervisor's phone number, and email address**)

- A. Abstract
- B. Introduction
- C. Literature Review
- D. Discussion
- E. References
- F. Appendices (if applicable)

All assignments are to be turned into the Department of Sociology (BEH 301) by Friday December 9, 2011 by 5:00 P.M. Assignments that are emailed will not be accepted.

YOUR REFERENCES SHOULD LOOK LIKE THIS.

Sample References

Literature Review

Longitudinal studies of sex offender recidivism have produced a wide array of results. A commonly held belief is that sex offending has a high frequency, is repetitive, and underreported since many acts are never officially reported (Doren, 1998;

Firestone, P., Bradford, J. M., Marcia, M., Greenberg, D. M., Larose, M. R., & Curry, S., 1999). Other researchers maintain that the probability for sexual reoffending following the initial offence is relatively low (Wollert, 2001; Barbaree, 1997). One explanation for these disparate views is the methodological differences between the various studies for such factors as sample size, operationalization of recidivism, regionality, length of time offenders were tracked, and the population studied (Losel & Schmucker, 2005).

A study conducted by Hanson, Steffy, & Gauthier (1993) examined the recidivistic activity of 197 child molesters released from a provincial correctional institution in southern Ontario between 1958-1974. Offenders were followed for varying lengths of time from 15 to 20 years. Recidivism was defined as a sexual offence or a violent offence that resulted in conviction. Results of the study suggested that child molesters were at risk for reoffending for many years with a reconviction rate of 5.2 percent for the first six years and then 1.8 percent for the following years.

A UK study based on 900 randomly selected sex offenders followed offenders released from prison in 1987 for a four-year period of time. Reconviction data indicated that only seven percent of offenders were reconvicted for a new sexual offence (Marshall, 1994). Another UK study conducted by Thornton & Travers (1991) examined the recidivistic activity of sex offenders that were incarcerated for at least four years and were released from prison in 1980. A review of the records 10 years after offenders were released revealed that 15 percent of rapists and approximately one-third of child molesters had been reconvicted of a new sexual offence during the follow-up time period.

Hanson and Bussiere (1998) conducted a meta-analysis of 61 studies of sex offender recidivism consisting of a total of 28,972 offenders. Using a follow up period of 4 to 5 years, they found a recidivism rate of 13.4 percent for a sexual offence, 12.2 percent for a nonsexual violent offence and 36.3 percent for any other type of offence.

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Academic Honesty

Unfortunately, academic dishonesty has become a serious problem on many campuses. The purpose for including the following statement is to prevent any misunderstanding about what constitutes academic dishonesty and what consequences will result if it is detected.

Academic honesty is expected. An act of academic dishonesty will result in a failing course grade of “E” and may result in a recommendation of additional disciplinary action. (The University of Utah Student Code provides for these sanctions and provides appeal rights.)

1. Cheating as defined in Article XI of the Student Code generally includes the giving or receiving of any unauthorized assistance on any academic work.
2. Plagiarism, as defined in Article XI of the Student Code, is “the appropriation of any other person’s work and the unacknowledged incorporation of that work in one’s own work offered for credit.”
3. Falsification is defined as any untrue statement, either oral or written, concerning one’s own academic work or the academic work of another student, or the unauthorized alteration of any academic record.
4. Original work. Unless specifically authorized by the instructor, all academic work undertaken in this course must be original, that is, it must not have been submitted in a prior course nor may it be submitted in a course being taken concurrently.

American Disabilities Act

The University of Utah seeks to provide equal access to its programs, services and activities for people with disabilities. If you need accommodations in the class, reasonable prior notice needs to be given to the Center for Disability Services, 162 Olpin Union Building, 581-5020 (V/TDD). CDS will work with you and the instructor to make arrangements for accommodations. All written information in this course can be made available in alternative format with prior notification to the Center for Disability Services.

Sponsoring Agencies

**Please note that this list is routinely updated. Please contact the instructor or the undergraduate advisor for the most current list.

Salt Lake City Government

The Salt Lake City Mayor’s Office has several criminal justice Internships available throughout the Salt Lake area.

Salt Lake City Mayor’s Office
Kaye Mickleson, Internship Coordinator
City and County Bldg.
451 south State, Room 306
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
Email: mayor@socgov.com

Phone: (801) 535-7714

Juvenile Offenders

Youth Receiving Center
177 West Price Ave.
Salt Lake City, Utah
Contact: Steve Titensor
Email: stitensor@slco.org
Phone: (801) 269-7510

3rd District Juvenile Courts Assessment and Diversion Unit
Contact: Darren Workman
Email: Darren@email.utcourts.gov
Phone: (801) 828-0985

Salt Lake Detention Center (Cornell Corrections)
3450 So. 9th West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84119
Contact: Lonnie Burton
Email: lburton@utah.gov
Phone: (801) 261-2060 Ext. 205

Salt Lake County Juvenile Center
Contact: Bonnie Bash
Email: bbash@slco.org
Phone: (801) 269-7526

Salt Lake Peer Court
645 So. 200 East #101
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
Contact: Kathleen Zeitlin
Email: slpcourt@xmission.com
Phone: (801) 322-1815

Youth Corrections Observation and Assessment
3900 S. 51 West, Suite A
Salt Lake City, Utah 84107
Contact: Maria Ponce
Email: mponce@utah.gov
Phone: (801) 284-0251
Please note: You must be at least 21 years of age to work in this agency.

Boy's and Girl's Clubs of Greater Salt Lake City
968 East Sugarfont Dr. (2225 South)
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

Contact: Wendy Thompson
Email: Wendy.Thompson@BGCGSL.org
Phone: 801484-0841

Pretrial and Jail Services

Salt Lake County Criminal Justice Services Division
1300 So. 145 East
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115
Contact: Conrad Carter, MSW
Email: ccarter@slco.org
Phone: (801) 595-4007

Victim Services

Salt Lake City Police Department
Victim Advocate Department
333 So. 200 East
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
Contact: Wendy Isom
Email: wendy.isom@slcgov.com
Phone: 801 799-3810

Sandy City Police Department
Victim Advocate Unit
10000 S. Centennial Pkwy, suite 111
Sandy, Utah 84070
Contact: Vickie Bushman
Email: vbushman@sandy.utah.gov
Phone: (801) 568-4627

Rape Recovery Center
Address: 2035 South 1300 East
Salt Lake City, UT 84105
Contact: Jaye Rieser MSW
Email: j.rieser@raperecoverycenter.org
Phone: (801) 467-7282 ext. 21

Children's Justice Center
8282 So. 2200 West
West Jordan, UT 84088
Contact: Jodi Fait
Email: (801) jfait@slco.org
Phone: (801) 566-3868

Family Justice Center

YWCA Lolie Eccles Center
Lower Level
344 East 300 So
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
Contact: Justine Zuniga
Email: jzuniga@ywca.com
Phone: (801) 236-3377

National Association for Mentally Ill
450 So. 900 East, Suite 160
Salt Lake City, Utah 84102
Contact: Jackie Sivas
Jackque@nami.ut.org
Phone: 801 323-9900

West Jordan Victim Assistance Program
8040 So. Redwood Road
W. Jordan, Utah 84088
Contact: Diane Greaves
Email: dianeg@wjordan.com
Phone: 801 566-6511

YWCA
322 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
Contact: Justine Zuniga
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Phone: 801 236-3377

South Salt Lake Victim Services
2835 South Main Street
South Salt Lake, Utah 84115
Contact: Kristen Thompson
Email: kcthompson@southsaltlakecity.com
Phone: 801 412-3663

Law Enforcement

Cottonwood Heights Police Department
Supervisor: Chief Robby Russo
Contact: April Ryce
Email: april@chpolice.org
Phone: (801) 944-7042

Unified Police Department
Cold Case Division

3365 So. 900 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84119
Contact: Sergeant Jason Jones
Email: jrjones@updsi.org
Phone: (801) 743-5824

Sandy City Police Department
Family Crimes Investigations Coordinator
10000 S. Centennial Pkwy, suite 111
Sandy, Utah 84070
Contact: Barbara Higgins
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Phone: (801) 568-6059

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Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
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Phone: 801 535-6348