Criminology 810
Spatial-temporal criminology
School of Criminology, Simon Fraser University
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**Calendar Description:**

An examination of research on crime that considers spatial and temporal dimensions. Subject matter will vary according to instructor interests and specialization. Specific areas of concentration may include: environmental criminology, communities and crime, neighborhoods and crime, ecology of crimes, and crime prevention.

**Prerequisite:**

This course will proceed with the assumption that students have completed CRIM 800 or an equivalent course. Students are strongly advised to prepare for the course by reviewing undergraduate level environmental criminology readings. See the course outline for CRIM 352 on my web page.

**Course Description:**

This course covers a detailed analysis of some of the most recent advances in environmental criminology. Both theoretical and empirical research is analyzed throughout the course. The aim of this course is to provide students with the state of the art in environmental criminology covering: new theoretical developments, crime at places, geographic profiling, the crime drop in the 1990s, near repeat analysis, and so on.

**Course structure:**

There is one seminar (3 hours) per week (Tuesdays, 930am – 1220pm).

**Course evaluation:**

- Weekly Seminar Contributions 30%
- Presentations / Reading Analyses 20%
- Term Paper (15 April 2019) 50%
Textbook:

The required readings (journal articles and book chapters) are available through Canvas or another file sharing medium. You are responsible to download, photocopy, or borrow these readings from the library.

Lecture topics, schedule, and readings:

Topic 1. Introduction to the course and environmental criminology
- Week 1 (08 January)

Topic 2. Theory
- Week 3 (15 January)

Topic 3. Crime at places
- Week 4 (22 January)


**Topic 4. Geographic profiling**

- **Week 5 (29 January)**

**Topic 5. Repeat and near-repeat victimization**

- **Week 8 (05 February)**
Topic 6. Crime mapping and spatial analysis

- Week 9 (12 February)

Reading Break (18 February – 22 February), NO CLASS

Topic 7. Land use and crime

- Week 10 (26 February)

Topic 8. Temporal analysis of crime

- Week 11 (05 March)

Topic 9. Immigration and crime
• Week 12 (12 March)

Topic 10. Unemployment and crime
• Week 13 (19 March)

Class Presentations
• Week 14 (26 March)

**Term Paper Due: 15 April 2019**

Please note: I retain the right to modify the nature of the course structure and schedule based on instructional needs.

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_N.B.: Students are reminded that attendance in the first week of classes is important. However, there are no tutorials in the first week._

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