

CURRENT DEBATES IN CRIMINAL LAW

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SYLLABUS

Coverage

The readings in this seminar will examine a range of problems, questions, and concerns arising within the substantive criminal law. Seminar participants will decide the specific issues we examine.

Seminar Meetings

The seminar meets each Thursday from 4:15 to 5:55 p.m. in Room 387.

Materials

CRIMINAL LAW CONVERSATIONS (Paul H. Robinson, Stephen P. Garvey & Kimberly Kessler Ferzan eds., 2009).

Grades

Grades will be based on a substantial paper, class preparation and participation.

The substantial paper (approx. 25–30 pages) will be worth 70% of the final grade; class preparation and participation will be worth 30% of the grade. The substantial paper must be analytical. It should display independent thought and analysis. Simple description and summary are unacceptable.

Office Hours

Please feel free to stop by whenever the door is open or to make an appointment. My office is 324 Myron Taylor Hall. My number is 255-8589. My e-mail address is <spg3@cornell.edu>. My administrative assistant is Ms. Lyndsey Clark (Room 213).

Class 1	Introduction Rotten Social Background Tadros, <i>Poverty and Criminal Responsibility</i> Delgado, <i>The Wretched of the Earth</i> Morse, <i>Severe Environmental Deprivation (aka RSB): A Tragedy, Not a Defense</i>
Class 2	Criminal Law Conversations (CLC) discussion
Class 3	CLC discussion
Class 4	CLC discussion
Class 5	CLC discussion
Class 6	CLC discussion
Class 7	CLC discussion
Class 8	CLC discussion
Class 9	Break
Class 10	Paper presentations
Class 11	Paper presentations
Class 12	Paper presentations
Class 13	Paper presentations