

**WOODSWORTH COLLEGE – UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
SUMMER ABROAD PROGRAM – SIENA, ITALY  
JULY-AUGUST 2022**

**CRI389Y0: *Current Issues in International Criminology***

**Preliminary Outline**

This course is designed to introduce students to current issues in international criminology. Students will be exposed to recent research and policy debates that are relevant in both Europe and North America. The course will explore the following nine topics: 1) Cross-national patterns of crime and violence; 2) The mafia and the growth of international organized crime; 3) Immigration, crime, and crime control; 4) Hate crime; 5) Street gangs and youth violence; 6) Radicalization and “homegrown” terrorism; 7) International patterns of gendered violence; 8) Corporate crime within the international economy; and 9) International trends in crime prevention and punishment. The teaching format will consist of formal lectures, seminar discussions, organized debates, films, and field trips.

**II. Required Readings**

This course is designed like a graduate seminar. Students will be responsible for two or three required readings for each class. All required readings will be posted on the formal course website (Quercus) by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. It is strongly advised that students download all required readings before departing for Italy to avoid potential problems with internet access. The readings will also be available from Professor Wortley in Siena. Students are advised to complete the required readings *before* each class and come ready to discuss findings, controversies and policy implications during seminar discussions.

**III. Classes**

Classes are held Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am to Noon. The first class (August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022) will run from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm following the academic orientation session. The classroom location will be announced at the On-Site Orientation.

#### IV. Field Trips

*All dates are tentative or yet to be determined. All trip dates will be posted on the Course Website by May 1st, 2022.*

1. Sienna Police Headquarters, Forensics Unit and Immigration Processing Centre – followed by lunch at an inmate rehabilitation restaurant: **Date:** TBA;
2. Tour and Dinner at Volterra Maximum Security Prison: **Date:** TBA;
3. Three Day/Two Night Trip to Rome (includes Tour of the Colosseum and ancient Rome; Tour of the Vatican; Visit to the Italian Museum of Criminology; Night tour of Rome to explore the city's long history of crime and violence): **Date:** TBA;
4. Tour of Tuscan Wineries (to discuss relationship between alcohol, drugs and crime): **Date:** TBA;
5. Day Trip to Florence (includes visit to the Uffizi Gallery to explore themes of justice within Renaissance art; the Dark Heart of Florence night walking tour, etc.): **Date:** TBA;

#### V. Important Dates

August 1 <sup>st</sup> ;	First day of classes;
August 11 <sup>th</sup> ;	1 <sup>st</sup> Test;
August 15 <sup>th</sup> ;	<i>Ferragosto</i> (national holiday – no class);
August 16 <sup>th</sup> ;	<i>The Palio</i> (Siena's holiday – no class);
August 22 <sup>nd</sup> ;	Last day for students to withdraw without academic penalty;
August 30 <sup>th</sup> ;	Due Date for Final Course Assignment
September 1 <sup>st</sup> ;	Final Test/ Last day of class.

#### VI. Method of Evaluation

- One (3 page) Reaction Paper 10%
- Book Report Assignment: 30%
- Test # One: 20%
- Test # Two: 25%
- Participation: 15%

**REACTION PAPERS** -- (approximately 3 pages in length) are to be based on the required readings for a particular topic. These papers are due in class the same day that topics are reviewed. Students have to write one reaction paper – on the topic of their choice. Students can focus their discussion on a particular reading or compare the content of several readings. Further details about the reaction papers will be posted on the course website by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

**BOOK REPORT:** Students will be given a choice of three books to read. A 10-15-page book report will be required on the student's selection. Book reports should consist of a concise book summary or description, a critical analysis of the book's strengths and weaknesses and a discussion of its policy implications. Book titles and publication information will be posted on the course website by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Thus, students will be given the opportunity to begin – or even complete -- this assignment in advance of the course start date. It is strongly advised that students purchase or otherwise acquire the book of their choice before leaving for Italy. **Due Date:** August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**TESTS:** The first test will be held in class on **Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** and will cover all course material (required readings and lectures) covered in class from August 1<sup>st</sup> to August 10<sup>th</sup>. The second test will be held on **Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup>** and will cover all material covered in class from August 17<sup>th</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The test will consist of short-answer questions. Multiple-choice questions will not be used.

**PARTICIPATION:** Attendance in class and on field trips is a basic requirement of this program. However, being present does not in itself earn high marks for participation. Rather, participation marks are also awarded for active attention and constructive participation in class discussions and debates, for clear evidence of having completed the assigned readings, and for focused attention and cooperative participation on the field trips.

**Note on Plagiarism from the University of Toronto Academic Integrity Handbook**  
Plagiarism is the most common academic offence. Plagiarism includes failing to cite sources AND/OR failing to place within quotation marks material taken verbatim from a source, regardless of whether the material is acknowledged with a citation. **Failure to use quotation marks is an academic offence.** The inclusion of false, misleading, or concocted references is an offence which often occurs in conjunction with plagiarism. This can be a product of sloppy research or a deliberate attempt to mislead the reader into thinking that the paper has been properly researched and cited. Both are inappropriate, the latter much more so. "If you do not tell your reader where you found the material or idea by providing an accurate reference to the source from which you borrowed it or if you don't place within quotation marks material taken word for word, this is plagiarism."

## VII. Instructor

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT PROFESSOR WORTLEY AT ANY TIME TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COURSE OR THE SUMMER ABROAD PROGRAM.

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## **TENTATIVE SEMINAR SCHEDULE**

**FINAL READINGS TO BE ANNOUNCED ON MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022**

**DAY ONE: August 1<sup>st</sup> -- International Trends and Patterns in Crime and Violence**

**DAY TWO: August 2<sup>nd</sup> -- International Trends and Patterns in Crime and Violence**

**DAY THREE: August 2<sup>nd</sup> -- Organized Crime**

**DAY FOUR: August 4<sup>th</sup> -- Organized Crime**

**DAY FIVE: August 8<sup>th</sup> -- Immigration and Crime**

**DAY SIX: August 9<sup>th</sup> -- Immigration and Crime**

**DAY SEVEN: August 10<sup>th</sup> -- Hate Crime**

**DAY EIGHT: August 11<sup>th</sup> -- IN CLASS TEST**

**DAY NINE: August 17<sup>th</sup> -- Street Gangs and Youth Violence:**

**DAY TEN: August 18<sup>th</sup> -- Radicalization and Homegrown Terrorism**

**DAY ELEVEN: August 22<sup>nd</sup> -- Gender and Violence in the International Context**

**DAY TWELVE: August 23<sup>rd</sup> -- Gender and Violence in the International Context**

**DAY THIRTEEN: August 24<sup>th</sup> -- The Globalization of Corporate Crime**

**DAY FOURTEEN: August 25<sup>th</sup> -- The Globalization of Corporate Crime**

**DAY FIFTEEN: August 29<sup>th</sup>: International Trends in Punishment and Crime Prevention**

**DAY SIXTEEN: August 30<sup>th</sup>: International Trends in Punishment and Crime Prevention**

**DAY SEVENTEEN: August 31<sup>st</sup> -- International Cooperation in Crime Control**

**DAY EIGHTEEN: September 1st - FINAL TEST -- LAST DAY OF CLASS**