

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

MASTER COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Serial Killers

Course Abbreviation and Number: CRI 1670

Credit Hours: 1 credit hour.

Course Type: Lecture

Course Description: This course focuses on the etiology and typologies of the phenomenon of a serial killer, what makes a serial killer, and what impact a serial killer has on society. A cross-section of serial killers is explored, identifying what is believed to have caused these individuals to kill.

Eligibility: ENG 1510 without supports or **Corequisite:** ENG 1510 with supports.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Identify key serial killers.
 2. Analyze why serial killers do what they do.
 3. Develop the ability to “profile” a serial killer.
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Topics Covered:

- Psychological, investigative, and cultural aspects of serial murder - insight into the numerous theories (biological, psychological, religious, sociological, etc.);
 - Theories on what makes a serial killer
 - Researched transcripts of interviews with killers, and up-to-date information on the apprehension and conviction of the Green River Killer, the Beltway Snipers and other noteworthy serial murder cases.
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Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
 - Civility Statement (<http://www.sunyjsc.edu/current-students/classroom-civility>)
 - Student Responsibility Statement (<http://www.sunyjsc.edu/academics/student-responsibility>)
 - Academic Integrity (<http://www.sunyjsc.edu/faculty-staff/academic-integrity>)
- Disability/Special Services
 - Any student who requires accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability should make their needs known to the Coordinator of Accessibility Services, 716.338.1251.
- Emergency Closing Procedures (<http://www.sunyjsc.edu/student-life/campus-safety/jcc-alert>)
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor
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Effective Date: Fall 2019