

SOC*2760 Homicide

Winter 2024

Section: DE01

Department of Sociology and Anthropology Credit Weight: 0.50

a) **Course code and title:** SOC 2760DE Homicide

b) **Date of offering:** W24

c) **Department:** Department of Sociology and Anthropology

d) **Course Instructor:** John R. Ferguson

e) **Course Description:**

Participants examine ways of understanding homicide through a sociological lens. We will attend to definitions, extent, statistics, types, patterns, social, cultural, political and economic context and impacts, theories and responses to homicide. We will examine key criminological and sociological empirical research examining various types of homicide, including,

- individual, multiple, mass and serial homicide,
- filicide, parricide, familicide,
- femicide, feminicide,
- genocide,
- corporate.

We will also focus on various aspects of intervention, punishment and prevention initiatives.

Note: This course takes a distinctive approach to learning and assessment with a rhythmic weekly pace of skill and confidence-building. Course requirements include actively and regularly participating in readings, on-line discussions, and quizzes for each unit (rather than larger written assignments, mid-term and final exam). Conscientious time-management and successful maintenance of the weekly pace will yield high rewards in both learning and grades.

f) **Course Format**

On-Line Distance Education

g) **Assessment/Evaluation (subject to revision)**

Assessment Type	%
Readings, Annotations, Interactions	~40%
Quizzes	~60%
Total	100%

h) **Course Materials**

Available On-Line