

CRIMINAL LAW
Professor Cornwell

Course Materials:

KAPLAN, WEISBERG & BINDER, *Criminal Law: Cases and Materials* (5th Edition).
Handouts, distributed in class.

WEEK OF JAN 10: The Need for an Actus Reus; Omissions; Possession; Voluntariness; the Prohibition of “Status” Crimes.

Pages 93-130.

WEEK OF JAN 17: Legality; Specificity.

Pages 130-155; *People v. Superior Court of Santa Clara County (Caswell)* (handout).

WEEK OF JAN 24: The Requirement of a Guilty Mind; Categories of Culpability.

Pages 157-180; 188 (beginning with Model Penal Code)-197.

WEEK OF JAN 31: Mistake and Mens Rea Default Rules; Mistake of Law and Mens Rea; Capacity for Mens Rea.

Pages 203-231; *People v. Wetmore* (handout); 236-242.

WEEK OF FEB 7: Intentional Murder (Second-Degree); Premeditated Murder (First Degree); Voluntary Manslaughter (The Theory of Mitigation; “Cooling Time;” The Common Law and Its Categories and Rules: Adultery and Other “Adequate Provocations”).

Pages 291-292; 292-305 (skim, but don’t ignore); 307-339.

WEEK OF FEB 14: Voluntary Manslaughter (The Common Law and Its Categories and Rules: Provocation under Reform Rules; Cultural Norms and the Reasonable Person); Involuntary Manslaughter.

Pages 339-359; 361-381.

WEEK OF FEB 21: Reckless/Depraved Heart Murder; Homicide in the Course of Another Crime.

Pages 382-424.

WEEK OF FEB 28: Defensive Force.

Pages 489-527.

WEEK OF MAR 15: Necessity, Duress and Insanity.

Pages 539-556; 559-573; 579-593.

WEEK OF MAR 22: Attempt (Mens Rea and Actus Reus of Attempt).

Pages 631-659.

WEEK OF MAR 29: Attempt (Defense of Impossibility); Complicity (The Accessorial Act).

Pages 665-686; 689-713.

WEEK OF APR 5: Complicity (Mens Rea of Complicity); Conspiracy (The Nature of Conspiracy; The Agreement; Mens Rea of Conspiracy).

Pages 713-730; 749-778.

WEEK OF APR 12: Conspiracy (The Incidents of Conspiracy); Robbery; Extortion; Burglary.

Pinkerton and notes which follow (handout); pages 780-790.

Pennsylvania Statutes, Title 18, § 3701; *Commonwealth v. English*, *Commonwealth v. Sleighter*, *Commonwealth v. Brown*, *State v. Holley*; A Note on Extortion; British Theft Act of 1968, Chapter 60, § 9; *Regina v. Collins*, *Regina v. Jones*; *People v. Salemme* (handouts).

WEEK OF APRIL 19: Larceny; Embezzlement; False Pretenses.

N.Y. Penal Law §§ 155.00 & 155.05, *People v. Alamo*; *People v. Olivo*; *People v. Jennings*; U.S. Code, Title 18, § 654, *United States v. Titus*, *Government of the Virgin Islands v. Leonard*, *United States v. Whitlock*, *United States v. Selwyn*; District of Columbia Code § 22-3811; *Chaplin v. United States*; *Nelson v. United States*; *Locks v. United States* (handouts).

WEEK OF APRIL 26: One class only (Wednesday, April 27).

Exam Review!