## Summer 2007 courses at American University with Professor Schaler <u>http://spa.american.edu/</u>

Two of the four courses I was planning to teach this summer have been cancelled due to low enrollment. This often happens with summer courses.

What I've decided to do is keep one of the courses, Drugs, Alcohol and Society, and encourage those who did enroll for the other section of DAS, scheduled to begin July 2, to enroll in the same version of the course scheduled to begin May 21. If you're interested in studying the truth about addiction, that is, addiction is a choice not a disease; and how treatment for addiction has more to do with religion than medicine, then sign up for this course starting May 21. Schaler's Three-Step Model of Policy Analysis applies: This time the phenomenon of interest is addiction. Consequences for legal, clinical, social and public policy are addressed in depth.

For those who were enrolled in Law, Psychology and Justice scheduled, to begin May 21, you may want to take this course, too. Much of what we study about behavior, disease, and law with regard to behavior and mental illness is applied to the study of addiction and the policies that flow from various explanations for addiction.

Here is the course that is still open and I encourage you to enroll in, or perhaps a friend of yours may want to enroll in:

JLS-303-B01 Drugs, Alcohol and Society, and runs May 21, 2007 to June 28, 2007, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 5:30pm to 8:40pm.

This is an intense, high-power course concerning everything you thought was true about addiction (but were afraid to ask  $\ldots$ ). Synthetic and analytic truth approaches. Your life will change as a result of this course.

The other two courses, JLS-303-H02 Drugs, Alcohol and Society (originally scheduled to begin July 2, 2007) and JLS-333-C01 Law, Psychology and Justice (originally scheduled to begin May 21, 2007), are now cancelled.

The online DE (Distance Education) course entitled Psychiatry, Psychology, and Law, scheduled to begin May 14, has passed the minimum enrollment necessary and is proceeding as planned. Note, again that's an online-only class. There are 15 people enrolled now and the cap is set at 20. My preference is that you enroll for the Drugs, Alcohol and Society course. This DE course is changed slightly from what was offered this past semester, Spring 2007, F2F (Face-to-Face).

See the past syllabi for Drugs, Alcohol and Society at http://www.schaler.net/syllabi.html and last semester. specifically, at http://www.schaler.net/dasfall2006.pdf

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