

Week 7 Overview: Victimology and the Victim's Experience in the Criminal Justice System

This week we will discuss the victim's experience in the criminal justice system.

Week 7 Learning objectives:

1. Identify the different types and degrees of violent crimes.
2. Understand how the concept of mens rea and actus reus inform and define the characterization of a diverse range of violent crimes.
3. Analyze the influence of the #metoo movement on contemporary criminology.
4. Evaluate a violent crime with the jurisdictionally appropriate statutes for application and discussion.
5. Explain the biggest challenges to determining consent in crimes of rape.

Week 7 Course Materials:

Read:

- [Chapter 8: Critical and Feminist Approaches to Criminology](#)

View:

- [Actus Reus and Mens Rea - Level Justice](#) (Viewing time: 3 minutes 12 seconds)

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- [Marsy's Law Panel from the 2020 National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers \(NACDL\) State Criminal Justice Network and Conference](#) (Viewing time: 60 minutes 20 seconds)
- [Beyond The Hashtag: #metoo 4th Anniversary](#) (Viewing time: 2 minutes 21 seconds)

Week 7 Tasks:

- [Week 7 Discussion Forum: Marsy's Law](#)