

Final home exam, spring 2020

KRIM4953 – Criminological Perspectives on Gender, Sexuality and Violence

Disclosure of exam assignment: May 25 at 1:00 PM

Submission deadline: May 29 at 1:00 PM

Assignment

In the article [“#MeToo doesn’t always have to mean prison”](#), (New York Times, 2nd of March 2020) Gruber and Danzelon write the following:

“For decades, victims’ rights advocates, including many feminists, have stood behind the promise prosecutors routinely make to victims: We will absolve your pain by prosecuting your offender to the maximum possible extent. But for many, it is an empty promise.”

Use the course syllabus to describe and discuss the processes and arguments that drive legal optimism. Choose either sexual violence or domestic violence as your example. Discuss the arguments considering strength and weaknesses of using legal strategies to achieve justice for victims. Please explicitly address how gender comes into play in these strategies and processes.

The question can be answered in English, Norwegian, Danish or Swedish.

Size: Maximum 3600 words (roughly 9 pages). Front page, contents page (optional) and bibliography are not included. If footnotes are used in the text (at the bottom of each page), they are included in the 3600 word limit. **Papers that exceed the 3600 word limit will be disallowed.**

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