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[Death in the Dark](#) Apr 15 2022 A provocative, comprehensive history of American executions from colonial days to the present.

[The Rope, the Chair, and the Needle](#) Aug 07 2021 Examination of Capital punishment in Texas, drawing on data for legal executions from 1819 to 1990.

[Deterrence and the Death Penalty](#) Nov 29 2020 In the early 1970s, Canadians were debating the wisdom of doing away with the death penalty. Most research on the deterrent effects of capital punishment had failed to find any evidence that abolition of the death penalty resulted in an increase in the number of murders committed. Then in 1975, Isaac Ehrlich, an economist, published a new study that emphatically supported the deterrent effect of capital punishment. Indeed, Ehrlich argued that each execution could result "on average, in seven or eight fewer murders". These findings were quickly publicized and became part of the Canadian debate. The Department of the Solicitor General commissioned this independent review of Ehrlich's work, and the work of others employing similar techniques, to summarize and comment in a non-technical manner on the 'economics of deterrence' studies and to provide a balanced and comprehensible evaluation. The evaluation examined three aspects of the research: (1) the validity of the underlying theoretical assumptions; (2) the accuracy of the data used; and (3) the appropriateness of the statistical techniques employed. The study concluded that the behavioural theoretical shortcomings of Ehrlich's work were significant, that the data limitations alone destroyed the credibility of his results, and that while the statistical techniques used were "considerably more sophisticated and appropriate", his work "does not meet the generally accepted standards of statistical research". As a more general conclusion, the author argued that while the economic deterrence studies had indeed challenged the prevailing wisdom that punishment does not deter crime, the new data was not strong enough to support the opposite position -- that "punishment does deter crime".

[Legal Lynching](#) Jan 20 2020 Provides evidence of discrimination in the administration of capital punishment

[Last Words and the Death Penalty](#) Jun 17 2022 Vollum analyzes the content of the last statements of the condemned and statements made by co-victims; he seek to "give voice" to these two different groups. Vollum finds that the most dominant themes among the condemned center around transformation, redemption, and positive messages of connection to others. The most dominant themes of co-victims are more conflicting with a mix of frustration with the death penalty process, relief that it is over, and the desire for justice or revenge. Through their own words, we learn that the death penalty is neither a soothing salve for the pain and suffering of co-victims nor simply an extraction of evil and irredeemable criminals.

[Capital Punishment](#) Aug 19 2022 What are the critical factors that determine whether a country replaces, retains or restores the death penalty? Why do some countries maintain the death penalty in theory but in reality rarely invoke it? By asking these questions, the editors hope to isolate the core issues that influence the formulation of legislation so that they can be incorporated into strategies for advising governments considering changes to their policy on capital punishment. They also seek to redress the imbalance in research, which tends to focus almost exclusively on the experience of the USA, by covering a range of countries such as South Korea, Lithuania, Japan and the British Caribbean Commonwealth. This valuable contribution to the debates around capital punishment contains contributions from leading academics, campaigners and legal practitioners and will be an important resource for students, academics, NGOs, policy makers, lawyers and jurists.

[Captured by the Media](#) Apr 22 2020 These articles examine how media presents prisons and punishment, and how this presentation is related to public attitudes and government penal policy.

[The Death Penalty](#) Sep 08 2021

[International Crime and Punishment](#) Mar 22 2020 This volume consists of research papers written under editor Sienho Yee's supervision at the University of Colorado School of Law. The papers address interesting and difficult issues relating to substantive international crimes and the international regimes of punishment. Issues discussed include the Rome Statute and the crystallization of the norm proscribing statutes of limitations for serious international crimes; acts of terrorism as crimes against humanity under the Rome Statute; the balance between military necessity and civilian immunity; juvenile death penalty under international law; the practical applications of Ne Bis in Idem; and the possible federalization of the crime of torture. This volume is of great value to scholars and practitioners in international law and international relations, international criminal law, and to N.G.O. advocates.

[Capital Punishment](#) Oct 09 2021 An historical reference in alphabetical entries that cover the people, events, organizations, and court cases that have influenced the organization of American labor from the antebellum era to the present. Also addressed are major issues confronted by workers, such as children in the workplace, the eight-hour working day, job safety, and the minimum wage. Biographical sketches identify notable organizers and their opponents. Includes a 6-page chronology and a number of bandw photos. For students and general readers. Annotation copyright by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

[The Death Penalty](#) Apr 27 2023 The fifth edition of this renowned work charts the progress towards the goal of worldwide abolition of the death penalty internationally. The authors make a powerful case for abolition, regarding capital punishment as cruel, inhuman, and degrading.

The Death Penalty in the Eighties Feb 25 2023 A provocative examination of the most recent shift in court opinion that, in effect, works to expedite the administration of death sentences.

Routledge Handbook on Capital Punishment May 04 2021

The Death Penalty - Justice or Revenge? Jan 12 2022 This volume consists of papers and interviews which attempt to shed a strong light on the ethical problems that the death penalty presents, to put a finger on what constitutes the core problem of this punishment, and to show where humanity stands in this respect in the first quarter of the 21 st century. Its contributors are Robert (Renny) Cushing, Michele Duvivier Pierre-Louis, Tsakhia Elbegdorj, Gilbert (Gill) Garcetti, Hanne Sophie Greve, Phillip F. Iya, Sylvie Zainabo Kayitesi, Ioanna Kucuradi (ed.), Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Joaquin Jos'e Martínez, Federico Mayor, Ibrahim Najjar, Rajiv Narayan, Navanethem (Navi) Pillay, Bill Richardson, Jos'e Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, Horacio Verbitsky and Asunta Vivo.

Murder Stories Mar 02 2021 Murder Stories takes on the difficult question of American retention of capital punishment by investigating the elusive role of ideology in the law. As such it is a prime example of contemporary scholarship on the death penalty and law and society.

Cruel and Unusual Jul 18 2022

Capital Punishment: Oxford Bibliographies Online Research Guide Jul 06 2021 This ebook is a selective guide designed to help scholars and students of criminology find reliable sources of information by directing them to the best available scholarly materials in whatever form or format they appear from books, chapters, and journal articles to online archives, electronic data sets, and blogs. Written by a leading international authority on the subject, the ebook provides bibliographic information supported by direct recommendations about which sources to consult and editorial commentary to make it clear how the cited sources are interrelated related. A reader will discover, for instance, the most reliable introductions and overviews to the topic, and the most important publications on various areas of scholarly interest within this topic. In criminology, as in other disciplines, researchers at all levels are drowning in potentially useful scholarly information, and this guide has been created as a tool for cutting through that material to find the exact source you need. This ebook is a static version of an article from Oxford Bibliographies Online: Criminology, a dynamic, continuously updated, online resource designed to provide authoritative guidance through scholarship and other materials relevant to the study and practice of criminology. Oxford Bibliographies Online covers most subject disciplines within the social science and humanities, for more information visit www.aboutobo.com.

The Death Penalty in Democratic and Republican States and its Effects on a State's Murder Rate Nov 10 2021 Research Paper (undergraduate) from the year 2015 in the subject Law - Criminal process, Criminology, Law Enforcement, grade: A, University of Alaska Fairbanks, language: English, abstract: This is an investigation into the death penalty and how it is applied across political lines in America. With a focus on the differences in Democratic run states and Republican run states. The death penalty and its effects on a state's murder rate have long been a point of controversy. It has been debated whether the death penalty is a deterrent to crime. There is an ongoing need to understand the deterrence effect of the death penalty, in order to understand how to properly lower the murder rates in a given area. Further, in order to understand if the death penalty is applied in a given state , it is important to look at the political orientation of a particular state. Political orientation can have a strong affect on the punishment type chosen by a particular state. This study seeks to clarify the debate by looking at the statistical facts, and formulating hypothesis. (1) the death penalty is a deterrent for the crime of murder. (2) Conservative states are more likely to employ the death penalty. Null hypothesis, (1) the death penalty has no effect on the murder rate. (2) political leanings of a state do not determine if they have the death penalty.

The Right to Life in Japan Dec 19 2019 The Right to Life in Japan is a study that brings new perspectives to bear on an extremely important topic for all those facing the moral dilemmas of such issues as abortion and the death penalty. It also helps to fill a gap in life, in social science and law studies of contemporary Japan. Noel Williams approaches the right to life in Japan from a legal viewpoint via a broad range of issues such as abortion, suicide, capital punishment and death from overwork. Following a discussion of law and rights in Japan from an historical perspective, the author examines the question of what life is in contemporary Japan and focuses on problematic areas which have arisen in life issues, including infringements of the right to life within the modern company organization, and by the state, as well as the question of the equality of the right to life.

Determinants of the Death Penalty Feb 13 2022 The death penalty is a highly emotive subject which leaves few people unaffected and has been written about extensively. However, in spite of this, there has been no even-handed and comprehensive theory of the issue until now. Determinants of the Death Penalty seeks to explain the phenomenon of capital punishment - without recourse to value judgements - by identifying those characteristics common to countries that use the death penalty and those that mark countries which do not. This global study uses statistical analysis to relate the popularity of the death penalty to physical, cultural, social, economical, institutional, actor oriented and historical factors. Separate studies are conducted for democracies and non-democracies and within four regional contexts. The book also contains an in-depth investigation into determinants of the death penalty in the USA. This book is an important reference for those studying the death penalty across political science, sociology and legal studies.

Preliminary Research Paper Dec 11 2021

The Philosophy of Punishment Jun 24 2020

The Financial Cost of Capital Punishment in the United States of America Sep 20 2022 Bachelor Thesis from the year 2011 in the subject Business economics - Law, grade: 1,0, Berlin School of Economics and Law, language: English, abstract: Awareness surrounding the financial burden of capital punishment is increasing and slowly beginning to permeate the American Society. However, not enough light has been shed on the sources that are causing the financial devastation. The death-is-different legal doctrine in the United States grants procedural protection that is unique for capital litigation providing individual consideration for each case. The paper investigates the price increase by capitally adjudicating a case compared to a non-capital litigation. Looking at the economic side of the impact of legal statutes should contribute to the discussion about choosing alternative punishments, such as life incarceration without the possibility of parole, and the systems' improvement prospects or the lack thereof. In the aftermath of a severe economic crisis and with ongoing financial solvency crises of interdependent nations, cost cutting considerations become all the more essential. Further, it is "Time to consider whether maintaining the costly death penalty system is being smart on crime" by briefly looking into where the money could be invested instead in order to achieve an equivalent effect. In short, the paper aims at ascertaining the financial cost of capital punishment and how the discoveries can impact jurisprudence. The central questions are the following. How to approach the financial cost of death penalty? What are the cost drivers of the system? Are there calculable benefits? How did and can economic arguments influence the legitimacy of capital punishment? The paper is structured as follows. The introduction is designed to lay out the framework of the United States capital punishment system. The main part provides an overview of the developments in approaching the cost of state-sanctioned killing, then explores the key cost drivers and finally takes the reader through the difficulty of quantifying benefits. The main part concludes with a section offering a deduction of how economic reasoning may impact jurisprudence. At last, the conclusion presents final remarks.

The Contradictions of American Capital Punishment Mar 26 2023 This novel thesis argues that a tradition of popular justice conflicts with the legal tradition of due process.

The Death Penalty Jan 24 2023

The Geography of Execution Mar 14 2022 The perennially controversial issue of capital punishment has generated especially passionate debate in recent years. In this book, two noted experts on crime provide a geo-historical perspective on capital punishment, showing vividly the incoherencies and contradictions in policies and practices across the country. Going back to the earliest U.S. executions, the authors challenge the belief that capital punishment serves as a deterrent. Using state-of-the-art methods drawn from geographic information systems (GIS), they illustrate the culture of capital punishment and its impact on selected groups, mapping the execution of women, for example, and the origin and diffusion of electrocution, the gas chamber, and lethal injection. This book will be indispensable to anyone--scholar, policy maker, or lay person--who must be informed on the issue of capital punishment.

Making Good Feb 19 2020

Lethal Punishment Jul 26 2020 Why did some offenses in the South end in mob lynchings while similar crimes led to legal executions? Why did still other cases have nonlethal outcomes? In this well-researched and timely book, Margaret Vandiver explores the complex relationship between these two forms of lethal punishment, challenging the assumption that executions consistently grew out of-and replaced-lynchings. Vandiver begins by examining the incidence of these practices in three culturally and geographically distinct southern regions. In rural northwest Tennessee, lynchings outnumbered legal executions by eleven to one and many African Americans were lynched for racial caste offenses rather than for actual crimes. In contrast, in Shelby County, which included the growing city of Memphis, more men were legally executed than lynched. Marion County, Florida, demonstrated a firmly entrenched tradition of lynching for sexual assault that ended in the early 1930s with three legal death sentences in quick succession. With a critical eye to issues of location, circumstance, history, and race, Vandiver considers the ways that legal and extralegal processes imitated, influenced, and differed from each other. A series of case studies demonstrates a parallel between mock trials that were held by lynch mobs and legal trials that were rushed through the courts and followed by quick executions. Tying her research to contemporary debates over the death penalty, Vandiver argues that modern death sentences, like lynchings of the past, continue to be influenced by factors of race and place, and sentencing is comparably erratic.

The impact of homicides on the society of Trinidad and Tobago Jun 05 2021 Research Paper from the year 2011 in the subject Law - Criminal process, Criminology, Law Enforcement, grade: A+, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine (Behavioural Sciences), course: Crime, Police and Society, language: English, abstract: This research paper seeks to examine the implications of homicides in Trinidad and Tobago. The paper is divided into three distinct sections; however, the author first makes reference to the current crime situation that has become an important and noteworthy topic not only for past and present governments but also the business sector and other key stakeholders. The first main section alludes to the implications of homicides as it relates to Trinidad and Tobago. These implications have been categorized as will be seen. The second section provides a critical analysis of the death penalty as a means of deterring murder while the third and final section explores some alternatives to the death penalty making specific reference to the idiosyncrasies that exist in the Trinidad and Tobago context.

Punishment, Danger and Stigma Sep 27 2020 To find more information about Rowman and Littlefield titles, please visit www.rowmanlittlefield.com.

Death and Other Penalties Aug 27 2020 Mass incarceration is one of the most pressing ethical and political issues of our time. In this volume, philosophers join activists and those incarcerated on death row to grapple with contemporary U.S. punishment practices and draw out critiques around questions of power, identity, justice, and ethical responsibility. This work takes shape against a backdrop of disturbing trends: The United States incarcerates more of its own citizens than any other country in the world. A disproportionate number of these prisoners are people of color, and, today, a black man has a greater chance of going to prison than to college. The United States is the only Western democracy to retain the death penalty, even after decades of scholarship, statistics, and even legal decisions have depicted a deeply flawed system structured by racism and class oppression. Motivated by a conviction that mass incarceration and state execution are among the most important ethical and political problems of our time, the contributors to this volume come together from a diverse range of backgrounds to analyze, critique, and envision alternatives to the injustices of the U.S. prison system, with recourse to deconstruction, phenomenology, critical race theory, feminism, queer theory, and disability studies. They engage with the hyper-incarceration of people of color, the incomplete abolition of slavery, the exploitation of prisoners as workers and as "raw material" for the prison industrial complex, the intensive confinement of prisoners in supermax units, and the complexities of capital punishment in an age of abolition. The resulting collection contributes to a growing intellectual and political resistance to the apparent inevitability of incarceration and state execution as responses to crime and to social inequalities. It addresses both philosophers and activists who seek intellectual resources to contest the injustices of punishment in the United States.

Social Work, Criminal Justice, and the Death Penalty May 16 2022 Social workers have their hands in a lot of big sociopolitical issues. When it comes to the death penalty, their involvement is especially crucial. Social workers might support those receiving the sentence, engage with the families of those sentenced, participate in mitigation work, examine the critical discourse (psychiatric, psychological, and legal) leading up to and after the sentence, contribute to research surrounding mental health as it relates to the criminal justice system, or even use social advocacy and policy practice to examine the death penalty. In *Social Work, Criminal Justice, and the Death Penalty*, professionals with backgrounds spanning law, forensics, academia, and social work combine and explain their experiences surrounding this prominent social justice issue. The book is broken into three sections: Criminal Justice Considerations, Sociopolitical Considerations, and Applied Social Work Considerations. Across each section, chapters provide explicit implications for the social work professional in a criminal justice setting. The resulting volume equips beginning professionals and students with a holistic overview of the intersection of criminal justice and social justice.

Deterrence and the Death Penalty: Partial Identification Analysis Using Repeated Cross Sections May 24 2020

The Death Penalty Feb 01 2021 "Capital punishment has been debated as good practice vs. bad practice for many years. Is it an effective learning method, or not? Is it humane or inhumane? These are questions that have been asked by the political powers, psychologists, and the average living citizen. Countless case studies and research is out there for hours upon hours to get to the bottom of the actual effectiveness of this particular procedure. In this book, we will take a deep look at capital punishment and let the reader decide his/her side of this everlasting argument. "The Death Penalty: Capital Punishment in the USA" is not only intended to give the reader knowledge about capital punishment in the USA, but also an overview of the history of its use globally. A deep focus however, is to gain insight into why the practice appears to be so ingrained into the American penal system. Capital punishment has evolved through the 20th century and the methods of execution differ from before; i.e. how capital justice is dispensed & where. Also how the death penalty fits into the broader social dynamic of the United States; discussing both the objective and subjective arguments for and against capital punishment in the modern world. You will discover: The History Of Capital Punishment ; The Effects Of Capital Punishment ; Where Capital Punishment Still Exist Today ; Social Aspects Of Capital Punishment ; Does It Work Or Doesn't It Work? ; The Future Of Capital Punishment. You are about to get some a wide perspective of unique views into the world of capital punishment. After reading, your eyes will be wide open no matter which side your argument is supporting."--Page 4 of cover.

Social Psychology of Punishment of Crime Dec 31 2020 In recent years, research interest has increased both in the needs of punishment by the public and in the psychological processes underlying decisions on sentencing. This comprehensive look at the social psychology of punishment focuses on recent advances, and presents new findings based on the authors' own empirical research. Chapters explore the application of social psychology and social cognitive theories to decision making in the context of punishments by judges and the punitiveness of laymen. The book also highlights the different legal systems in the UK, US and Europe, discussing how attitudes to punishment can change in the context of cultural and social development.

Encyclopedia of Capital Punishment in the United States Oct 21 2022 This encyclopedia presents information about capital punishment in the United States. There are entries on virtually every capital punishment decision rendered by the U.S. Supreme Court from its beginning through 1999. Entries are also provided for each Supreme Court Justice who has ever rendered a capital punishment opinion; present-day relevant death penalty laws for jurisdictions and their judicial structures; the status of capital punishment in almost 200 nations of the world; famous and not so famous U.S. capital prosecutions; organizations that support and oppose capital punishment; capital punishment's impact on persons of African, Asian, Hispanic and Native American backgrounds, on women, and on foreign nationals; capital punishment by the military; and the various methods of execution.--[book cover].

Ultimate Punishment Apr 03 2021 America's leading writer about the law takes a close, incisive look at one of society's most vexing legal issues Scott Turow is known to millions as the author of peerless novels about the troubling regions of experience where law and reality intersect. In "real life," as a respected criminal lawyer, he has been involved with the death penalty for more than a decade, including successfully representing two different men convicted in death-penalty prosecutions. In this vivid account of how his views on the death penalty have evolved, Turow describes his own experiences with capital punishment from his days as an impassioned young prosecutor to his recent service on the Illinois commission which investigated the administration of the death penalty and influenced Governor George Ryan's unprecedented commutation of the sentences of 164 death row inmates on his last day in office. Along the way, he provides a brief history of America's ambivalent relationship with the ultimate punishment, analyzes the potent reasons for and against it, including the role of the victims' survivors, and tells the powerful stories behind the statistics, as he moves from the Governor's Mansion to Illinois' state-of-the art 'super-max' prison and the execution chamber. This gripping, clear-sighted, necessary examination of the principles, the personalities, and the politics of a fundamental dilemma of our democracy has all the drama and intellectual substance of Turow's celebrated fiction.

May the State Kill? Dec 23 2022

The Abolition of the Death Penalty in International Law Oct 29 2020 The right to life

The Decline of the Death Penalty and the Discovery of Innocence Nov 22 2022 Since 1996, death sentences in America have declined by more than 60 percent, reversing a generation-long trend toward greater acceptance of capital punishment. In theory, most Americans continue to support the death penalty. But it is no longer seen as a theoretical matter. Prosecutors, judges, and juries across the country have moved in large numbers to give much greater credence to the possibility of mistakes - mistakes that in this arena are potentially fatal. The discovery of innocence, documented in this book through painstaking analyses of media coverage and with newly developed methods, has led to historic shifts in public opinion and to a sharp decline in use of the death penalty by juries across the country. A social cascade, starting with legal clinics and innocence projects, has snowballed into a national phenomenon that may spell the end of the death penalty in America.

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