

Readings:

- Syllabus
- "Getting Started" folder
- Text, Chapters 1, 2 and 3
- [Maryland's Mandatory Minimum Drug Sentencing Laws: Their impact on incarceration, state resources and communities of color. Justice Policy Institute, February 2007.](#)
- [Mandatory Minimum Sentences. David E. Risley, J.D. Assistant United States Attorney in the Central District of Illinois](#)

Supplemental Resources

Please take time to review the websites below. They address the topics we are covering this week. You will find that they will enhance your participation in the discussion and may provide useful job-related resources for you in the future.

- [Families Against Mandatory Minimums](#) One view on mandatory minimums
- Have mandatory minimum sentences been an effective tool in the war on drugs?
 - [One viewpoint](#)
 - [Another viewpoint](#)
- [The November Coalition](#)
- [The Sentencing Project](#)

Written Assignment:

- Mandatory Minimum Sentences

Discussion Questions:

- Introductions
- Arguing in Support of Legalization