



Course Name: Victimology

Course Number: CJS* E280

Credits: 3

Catalog description:

A comprehensive course designed to acquaint the student with the many issues faced by victims of crime. Topics covered will include victimology, restorative justice, victims rights, victim impact statements, costs of victimization and other issues central to crime victim assistance. Students will also gain an understanding of how to address the needs of crime victims and act as advocates for victim issues.

Prerequisite: CJS*E101 – Introduction to Criminal Justice.

Corequisite, or Parallel:

General Education Competencies Satisfied:

HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s):

None

Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs:

None

Embedded Competency(ies):

None

Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):

None

Course objectives:

General Education Goals and Outcomes:

None

Course Specific Objectives:

1. Develop knowledge of law enforcement, court and correctional systems, including knowledge of



how these components interact.

2. Develop knowledge of specific career area in victims' advocacy
3. Develop knowledge of how law impacts on the criminal justice system.
4. Develop knowledge of psychological/sociological impacts on the criminal justice system.
5. Develop knowledge of the historical/political impact on the criminal justice system.
6. Develop ability to speak to groups.
7. Develop understanding of interpersonal communication skills.
8. Develop active listening skills.
9. Develop ability to make sound decisions in a limited time frame.
10. Develop understanding of special ethical issues in criminal justice professions.

Course Content:

Victimology

Restorative Justice

Costs of Victimization

- (a) monetary
- (b) emotional
- (c) physical

Victim's Rights

- (a) Constitutional amendments
- (b) Victim Impact Statements
- (c) victim services

Victim Needs For Specific Types of Crimes

- (a) homicide
- (b) domestic violence
- (c) sexual assault
- (d) child abuse
- (c) other types of crimes

Advocacy

- (a) victim representation
- (b) political action



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