



Course Name: Criminology

Course Number: CJS* E201

Credits: 3

Catalog description:

A study of crime and society's treatment of crime and the criminal. The various causes of crime and delinquency, the philosophy of criminal and correctional law, custody and treatment of offenders will be studied.

Prerequisite: CJS*E101- Introduction to Criminal Justice; PSY* E111- General Psychology I; SOC*E101 – Principles of Sociology

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 behavioral/sociological impacts on the criminal justice system.
2. Develop knowledge of historical/political impact on the criminal justice system.
3. Develop ability to gather and interpret data and information accurately.
4. Develop the ability to draw inferences and relate facts and ideas accurately.
5. Develop understanding of special ethical issues in the criminal justice professions

Course Content:

Criminology
(a) Definition



- (b) History
- (c) Criminologists

Criminal Law and Processes

- (a) Origins of law
- (b) Functions of law
- (c) Legal definition of crime
- (d) Defenses

Nature and Extent of Crime

- (a) Statistics
- (b) Crime patterns
- (c) Criminal careers

Victims and victimization

- (a) Problems of Victims
- (b) Nature of Victimization
- (c) Theories of Victimization
- (d) Victim Issues

Theories of Crime Causation

- (a) Classical-Theory
- (b) Biological Theories
- (c) Sociological Theories
- (d) Social Process Theories
- (e) Social Conflict Theories
- (f) Integrated Theories

Crime Typologies

- (a) Violent Crime
- (b) Property Crime
- (c) Organized/White Collar Crimes
- (d) Public Order Crimes
- (e) Substance Abuse
- (f) Sex Crimes

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