

COURSES FOR CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Criminal Justice Courses

CJ100 Intro Criminal Justice

SB

Hours 3

This course is designed for students not majoring or minoring in CCJ. An overview of the criminal justice system with emphasis on the roles and problems of law enforcement, courts, and correctional components.

Social and Behavioral Sciences

CJ102 Principles of Criminology & Criminal Justice

SB

Hours 3

This course is for CCJ major and minors only. It presents an overview of the criminal justice system and social control, from policing to trials and sentencing policy. Among other topics, we will discuss tough on crime policies, drug treatment courts, the War on Terrorism, the politics of crime and crime control, the punishment of sex offenders and its implications for public safety, rules of evidence, prison riots, and the death penalty. The emphasis in the course is to critically evaluate how we process individuals through the criminal justice system and the implications this processing has on public safety, civil liberties, public policy, and social control.

Social and Behavioral Sciences

CJ220 Law Enforcement

Hours 3

Development of law enforcement; organization and jurisdiction of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies; and functions of police officers.

CJ221 Private Security

Hours 3

Organization and management of the security function in industry, business, and government. Exploration of methods to protect personnel, facilities, and other major assets.

CJ223 Homeland Security

Hours 3

Overview of the United States Department of Homeland Security from its initiation to present day; exploration of the wide range of issues that the department influences, both policy and operational.

CJ225 Community Based Corrections

Hours 3

Introduction and overview of the complex world of Community Based Corrections; offering a history of the evolution of punishment and implementation of alternative sanctions.

CJ240 Juvenile Delinquency

Hours 3

Examines the extent and patterns of delinquency, theories of delinquency, research on the causes of delinquency, the juvenile justice system, and the prevention and control of delinquent behavior.

CJ250 Judicial Process

Hours 3

Overview of the judicial component of the criminal justice system in the United States; examines the organization of courts, roles and responsibilities of courtroom players, and systemic challenges.

CJ270 Corrections

Hours 3

Overview of U.S. corrections, jails and prisons, institutional procedures, recent innovations, and the future of corrections.

CJ290 Special Topics in Criminal Justice

SP

Hours 3

Examination of selected problems and issues in Criminology and Criminal Justice. A maximum of six hours may be use toward the major.

Special Topics Course

CJ300 Survey Criminal Theories

Hours 3

Study of traditional and modern explanations of crime and criminality.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ303 Race, Ethnicity, and Crime

W

Hours 3

Effect of race and/or ethnicity on experiences in the criminal justice system, focusing mostly on research/theories of offending, victimization, and experiences as CJ system workers. Writing proficiency is required for a passing grade in this course. A student who does not write with the skill normally required of an upper-division student will not earn a passing grade, no matter how well the student performs in other areas of the course.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C- and EN 102 or EN 103 or EN 104

Writing

CJ304 Gender and Crime

W

Hours 3

Effect of gender on experiences in the criminal justice system, focusing mostly on research/theories of offending, victimization, and experiences as CJ system workers. Writing proficiency is required for a passing grade in this course. A student who does not write with the skill normally required of an upper-division student will not earn a passing grade, no matter how well the student performs in other areas of the course.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C- and EN 102 or EN 103 OR EN 104

Writing

CJ305 Social Inequality in the Criminal Justice System

W

Hours 3

Examination of issues related to the oppression of people on the basis of their class, race, sex, gender, gender expression, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and physical or mental ability within the criminal justice system. Writing proficiency is required for a passing grade in this course. A student who does not write with the skill normally required of an upper-division student will not earn a passing grade, no matter how well the student performs in other areas of the course.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C- and EN 102 or EN 103 or EN 104

Writing

CJ310 CJ Career Planning

Hours 3

Overview of criminal justice career opportunities and a variety of specializations within the field; focus on professional development skills.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 102 or CJ 100

CJ380 Research Methods

Hours 3

Theoretical and specific instruction in both the conduct and application of research methods in criminal justice settings. Includes problem of research and policy dimensions of both direct and applied approaches.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ381 Statistics

Hours 3

Statistical methods in criminal justice, including central tendency and dispersion, tests of significance, and measures of association.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-, and MATH 110 or MATH 112 or MATH 115 or MATH 125

CJ390 Special Topics

SP

Hours 3

Examination of selected problems and issues in criminal justice.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

Special Topics Course

CJ395 Internship

Hours 1-12

An opportunity for students to conduct career exploration and build a record of experience in the field.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C- ***A maximum of 6 hours can be used toward the major.

CJ406 History of Crime and Justice

Hours 3

Examination in historical sequence of the perspectives on and methods of crime control, from the traditional to the modern.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ408 Gendered Justice and the Death Penalty

Hours 3

Gender and justice issues related to women sentenced to death; exploring the historical, social, political, and legal issues of serving time in female prisons.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ409 Women, Law, and Incarceration

Hours 3

Examination of the various issues that confront women who are incarcerated; legal issues surrounding women's pathways to crime and their incarceration experiences will be explored.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ410 Community Based Correctn

Hours 3

Study of intermediate punishments and alternatives to incarceration.

CJ420 Seminar In Law Enforcement

Hours 3

Examines the philosophical basis of law enforcement and traces the development of the law enforcement function.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ421 Forensic Science

Hours 3

This course provides student with instruction in the fundamentals of criminal investigation from a forensic science perspective.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ422 Terrorism

Hours 3

An analysis of selected areas of terrorism and counter-terrorism, with an emphasis on parallels between terrorism and crime.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ424 Hate Crimes

Hours 3

Critically evaluates various root causes and consequences of hate crimes; analyzed through an integration of social science theory, empirical research, and legal scholarship.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ425 Domestic Violence

Hours 3

Examination of violence in the context of domestic situations; an exploration of historical and contemporary contexts, various intervention strategies and preventative measures.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ426 White Collar Crime

Hours 3

This course provides a discussion of white-collar crime for the standpoint of criminological theory as well as criminal justice system policies, laws, and procedures.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ427 Homicide

Hours 3

Analysis of different types of homicide, such as felony-murders, crimes of passion, serial killings, celebrity-perpetrated killings, and/or mass murders.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ428 Human Trafficking

Hours 3

Exploration of the various types of human trafficking, their underlying causes and contributing factors, and preventative measures and counter-trafficking initiatives.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ430 Drugs, Crime, and Policy

Hours 3

Examines drug-related topics, such as the history of drug use, drug trafficking organizations, and domestic and international drug-related policies.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ435 Global Perspectives on Crime and Justice

Hours 3

Exploration of crime and criminal justice systems around the world; various transnational and international crimes, state criminal justice systems, and regional and supranational criminal justice mechanisms are examined.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ436 Gangs

Hours 3

This course presents an overview of the nature of street gangs. A general survey of theory, measurement, and reproach on gangs along with gang control programs and policies will be presented. Diverse research-based perspectives about gangs will be exposed to students, often times contrasting with depictions of gangs from law enforcement and the news/entertainment media. Various mediums will be used to illustrate the gap between the idea of what a street gang is and the reality of street gangs. The emphasis in this course is to critically evaluate what we know about street gangs, their relationship to crime, and what public policies can and should be used to deter crime and violence.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 102 or CJ 100

CJ440 Seminar in Juvenile Delinquency

Hours 3

Examines the historical, philosophical, and legal underpinnings of the juvenile justice system, the institutions related to the control and prevention of delinquent behavior, and the various challenges and dilemmas faced by the professionals working in those institutions.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ460 Criminal Law I

Hours 3

Introduction to the general principles of substantive criminal law; exploration of the nature of criminal acts, mental state, defenses, and burdens of proof.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ461 Criminal Law II

Hours 3

Examination and analysis of Constitutional provisions and case law governing selected areas of criminal procedure.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ470 Mass Incarceration

Hours 3

History, analysis, and evaluation of American correctional institutions, including the sociology of confinement and reform movements within the system.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ483 Law And Society

Hours 3

Exploration of the nature, function, and limits of law in society.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

CJ490 Special Topics in Criminal Justice

SP

Hours 3

Examination of selected problems and issues in criminal justice. A maximum of twelve hours may be used toward the major.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

Special Topics Course

CJ499 Independent Study In CJ

SP

Hours 1-6

Research under faculty supervision; requires faculty approval. A maximum of 3 hours may be used toward the major or minor.

Prerequisite(s): CJ 100 Minimum grade of C- or CJ 102 Minimum grade of C-

Special Topics Course

Cyber Criminology Courses

CC201 Introduction to Cyber Criminology

Hours 3

Introduction to the traditional and contemporary forms of cybercrime, including hacking, insider threat, illicit drug markets, cyber bullying, and cyber terrorism.

CC202 Introduction to Intelligence Studies

Hours 3

This course introduces students to intelligence studies. It takes a broad look at how intelligence informs policy. It emphasizes critical thinking and critical reading. Its goal is to teach students to effectively monitor, collect, and analyze security threats in order to facilitate threat prioritization and the development of policy solutions.

CC290 Special Topics in Cyber Crime

SP

Hours 3

Examination of selected issues in cyber security in the United States and throughout the world.

Special Topics Course

CC301 Cyber Law and Policy

Hours 3

Examination of cyber criminology from a law and policy perspective, including its impact on the Fourth and Fifth Amendment, jurisprudence, and the changing conceptions of privacy and identity.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201

CC395 Internship

Hours 1-9

Opportunity for students to conduct career exploration and build a record of experience in the fields of cyber criminology, network analysis, and digital forensics. To take this course students must obtain permission from the instructor for a specific number of hours and pass a background check. A maximum of 3 credit hours can be used towards the minor.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201 A maximum of 3 hours can be used toward the minor. Instructor must approve the number of hours and the student cannot deviate from those hours without permission of instructor.

CC401 Law Enforcement in the Digital Age

Hours 3

Examination of the role that technology plays in modern-day policing; provides students with a detailed overview of how the cyber, digital, and technological worlds have historically impacted policing.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201

CC402 Digital Forensic Investigation

Hours 3

Technical examination of how investigators collect, extract, analyze, and preserve data seized from devices in criminal cases; students gain hands-on experience with different forensic tools and software and learn of the various legal challenges in digital forensic investigations.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201

CC403 Blockchain, Cryptocurrencies, and Criminal Investigations

Hours 3

Examination of blockchain technology and cryptocurrencies as they pertain to criminal investigations; students will learn how to track and trace Bitcoin transactions using open source and proprietary tools. Students will have the opportunity to become trained and certified from Chainalysis.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201

CC490 Special Topics in Cyber Criminology

SP

Hours 3

Examination of selected issues in cyber security in the United States and throughout the world. A maximum of six hours may be used toward the minor.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201

Special Topics Course

CC499 Independent Study in Cyber Criminology

SP

Hours 1-3

Opportunity for students to further build a record of experience in the cyber criminology field by focusing on a topic agreed upon by the instructor and student. A maximum of 3 hours may be used toward the minor.

Prerequisite(s): CC 201

Special Topics Course