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CJ-100  Introduction to Criminal Justice and Administration

Course Description
This course is designed to provide the students with an overview of the criminal justice system including careers available in the criminal justice field, the court system, the policing and correctional processes, the juvenile justice system, as well as many other aspects of the criminal justice process including the history, nature and function of the criminal justice system in America.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Discuss the police, courts, and correctional systems
- Differentiate between the concepts and processes of justice and its key policy issues
- Classify and compare current criminal justice topics such as white-collar crime, terrorism, and cybercrime
- Describe the diverse roles of criminal justice employees
- Evaluate effective decision making in the criminal justice workforce
- Analyze the importance of ethical leadership and grasp the negative effects of corruption within the criminal justice organizations
- Summarize the most effective way to implement change in policy and procedure within a criminal justice organization

CJ-110  Criminal Law

Course Description
This course is designed to teach students language associated with criminal law, the art and practice of criminal law, constitutional case law as it pertains to civil rights, criminal case law as it pertains to crimes against the person and crimes against property, and will assist the student on how to analyze the principals and policies that specific case law illustrates.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Define and list constitutional case law pertaining to civil rights
- Define and list the different kinds of criminal liability
- Define and list Latin terms associated with criminal law
- Define and list the different types of crimes
- Define and list the statute of limitation criteria as it pertains to different crimes
- Define and list new laws developed since the attack on the United States since 9/11
CJ-120  Introduction to Law and the Court System

**Course Description**
This course is designed to provide the students with a detailed overview of the criminal justice system including careers available in the criminal justice field, the court system, the policing and correctional processes, the juvenile justice system, as well as many other aspects of the criminal justice process including the history, nature, and function of the criminal justice system in America.

**Course Outcomes**
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Analyze the police, courts, and correctional systems
- Discuss, in detail, how the court system works in the United States
- Perform court proceedings if employed as an officer of the court, paralegal, legal secretary, or court clerk
- Demonstrate comprehension of the concepts and processes of justice and its key policy issues
- Analyze and compare criminal activity and the criminal charge associated with such activity
- Outline the probation and parole system in detail
- Research and explain search and seize civil rights and responsibilities
- Assess career opportunities in the field of criminal justice
- Characterize current trends and topics in the field of criminal justice

PSY-100  Essentials of Psychology

**Course Description**
This course is a survey of assumptions, history, methods, and techniques of psychology. The course provides a presentation of representative theory and research in the areas of consciousness, learning, motivation, cognition, personality, and social behavior.

**Course Outcomes**
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Discuss the origins and historical developments of the science of psychology
- Discuss the relationship of biology and psychology
- Define and discuss issues about consciousness, learning, thought, and intelligence
- Define and discuss theories of motivation, and human development
- Compare and contrast theories of personality
- Discuss psychological disorders and their treatments
- Define social, industrial and organization psychology and their focus
CJ-130  
**Corrections and the Prison System**

**Course Description**
This course is designed to provide an overview of correctional theory and practice. Throughout the course the student will learn about the historical development of corrections with emphasis on changing social standards and philosophies. Particular attention will be paid to the various types of correctional institutes, their mission, physical structure, management, and problems including probation and parole.

**Course Outcomes**
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Recognize and explain the organization and history of corrections in America
- Describe the principals and goals of corrections including incapacitation, retribution, deterrence, and rehabilitation
- Recognize career opportunities and responsibilities of correctional professionals
- Identify the use of and roles of regional jails and recognize how they differ from prisons
- Describe the concepts and theories of probation and community corrections
- Explain the unique challenges facing women who are incarcerated in American prisons

CJ-140  
**Introduction to Policing**

**Course Description**
This course is designed to provide an overview of policing theory and practice. Throughout the course the student will learn about the historical development of policing with emphasis on changing social standards and philosophies. Particular attention will be paid to the various types of law enforcement institutes, their mission, physical structure, management, and personnel issues.

**Course Outcomes**
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Analyze and discuss the history of policing in the United States
- Evaluate and explore career opportunities within police and law enforcement agencies
- Understand and describe the role of police and police discretion
- Identify the different types of cultural issues policing agencies must address
- Describe the unique challenges police officers deal with on a daily basis
- Explain how minority issues are of major concern for policing professionals
- Apply police ethics and police deviance to real world issues
- Compare and contrast the various operations within policing agencies
- Evaluate the effectiveness and challenges involved in community policing
- Explore and explain how laws effect the way policing is governed
- List and define critical issues facing police in post 9/11 United States
CJ-200 Criminology
Course Description
This basic course provides an examination and critical analysis of the nature of crime, the extent of crime, the theories of crime causation, as well as the societal reaction to criminal behavior.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
• Explain the history of criminology
• Discuss the nature and extent of crime
• Discuss theories of victimization
• Discuss and explain theories of crime causation
• Discuss and describe theories of social structure
• Differentiate between types of crimes such as violent crimes, property crime, white collar crime and others
• Discuss and explain theories of punishment and corrections

CJ-210 Criminal Procedure
Course Description
This course is designed to teach students language associated with criminal procedures, the art and practice of criminal procedures, rules of evidentiary gathering, storage, handling, and different applications associated with different types of evidence, and procedures followed from the time of arrest to post-conviction.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
• Demonstrate knowledge of criminal procedures
• List and characterize criminal procedures in reference to arrest and search & seizure
• Assess and explain pre and post-conviction sentencing
• List and demonstrate knowledge of evidentiary procedures
• Distinguish specific types of procedures used when handling evidence
• Compare and contrast key constitutional issues governing criminal procedure
CJ-220  Criminal Investigation

Course Description
This course includes a discussion of the nature and purpose of criminal investigation, historical background, tools, employed skills development, and techniques useful in the reconstruction of criminal activity. The course is a series of case studies with interactive media. Students will work in teams to solve each case and write reports.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Discuss and describe the protocol for various types of criminal investigations
- Write a comprehensive report on the details, nature, processing, and storage of evidence related to crime scene investigations
- Identify and explain the variety of evidence that may be found at a crime scene and how it can be used in a criminal investigation
- Make diagrams of crime scenes using various methods and equipment
- Discuss and describe the technology used to record crimes scenes
- Explain the ethics of investigation and the implications of misconduct related to criminal investigation

CJ-230  Juvenile Delinquency

Course Description
This course will provide the student with an introductory examination of the origins, philosophy, and objectives of the juvenile justice system with emphasis on the legal processes, current trends, and roles of the various individuals within the juvenile justice system. Students will learn about the proper jurisdiction of juvenile courts, the role of law enforcement agents within the juvenile justice system, the juvenile judicial process itself, and the philosophy of the juvenile court with discussion covering the legal rights of children.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Demonstrate knowledge of the juvenile court process
- Define delinquency from a variety of perspectives
- Analyze and develop an understanding of the major theories of juvenile delinquency
- Identify and discuss the role of the police and arrest procedures in the area of juvenile justice
- Compare and contrast the origins, history, and philosophical objectives of the juvenile justice system
- Identify career opportunities in the field of juvenile justice, corrections, and detention
- Demonstrate knowledge as to what and what does not work in preventing and controlling delinquency
CJ-240 Introduction to Security

Course Description
This course covers the basic principles of security and loss prevention that is common and fundamental to all areas of protection of personal property from historical and modern day points of view. Topics of discussion will include: the security industry, the threat environment, risk analysis, fundamentals of physical security, safety, accident prevention, and common security problems.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Discuss the differences between private security and law enforcement
- List the duties and employment opportunities in private security
- Compare and contrast conditions in security before and after the 9/11 attacks on the United States
- Conduct security surveys and develop a security plan for various setting in business, industry and residential units
- Describe the equipment used in security operations and their advantages over other methods of security

CJ-300 Policing and Society: A Global Approach

Course Description
This course offers a global approach to the examination of the current state of policing as well as where the forefront of policing will be in the coming years. During this course, students not only develop an understanding of policing on a local, regional, and national level, but also gain a deeper appreciation of issues in the global community. The combined global and sociological perspective provides students with the knowledge and competence to better comprehend global law enforcement issues in today's world.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Investigate and assess international policing and social control
- Synthesize and assess various global bureaucracies responsible for governing police organizations
- Analyze the use and implementation of police discretion globally
- Examine global crime prevention methodologies
- Assimilate a comprehensive list of police corruption methodologies in individual countries
- Evaluate the use of excessive force in various international police organizations
- Apply the relative utility of various explanations of the causes of crime to the global approach to policing
- Critically reflect upon the role of criminological theory as a social science and examine the emerging, critical, and global versions of criminology
CJ-310 Ethics in Criminal Justice

Course Description
This course provides students with a compelling look at different fields of criminal justice and the plethora of ethical and moral dilemmas each field presents. In contemporary society the way criminal justice practitioners respond to these dilemmas are of the utmost importance. Topics will include determining moral behavior, developing ethical behavior, ethics within law enforcement, the courts and corrections, the ethics of punishment, professionalism, and ethics for practitioners. The reality of corruption within police departments, judiciaries, and corrections is ever present. This course gives students a moral roadmap to succeed in their careers.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Formulate moral decision-making techniques through the use of logic and ethics
- Articulate an informed opinion about clear and consistent ethical decisions
- Interpret the basis and design of ethics within constitutionally-based statutes and laws
- Synthesize strategies employed by leaders in criminal justice organizations to effectively respond to ethical concerns
- Examine the ethical standards that lawmakers and governments are mandated to adhere to
- Investigate various law enforcement agencies and the influence ethics have on them
- Inventory courtroom directed ethics
- Analyze and evaluate ethical decision-making opportunities in criminal justice

CJ-320 Crime Victims: Introduction to Victimology

Course Description
This course will provide an overview of the history of victimology as well as an evaluation of the patterns of victimization. A strong emphasis will be placed on types of victims and the crimes perpetrated against them with an aim to identify and apply appropriate preventative measures and responses to victimization. Course studies will focus on the interaction between victims of crime and the criminal justice system in association with the various services now offered to victims.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Classify victimology and the professional methods procured to identify and render assistance to victims
- Identify various methodologies used in reporting crime
- Synthesize types of crime and assess the effect of specific crimes on various demographics
- Assess the main aspects of the field of victimology, including its history, theories, models, data analysis, and concepts
- Develop a working knowledge of the history and development of the crime victims’ rights movement in the United States
- Enhance awareness of the needs of responsiveness to victims and the impact of criminal victimization on primary victims, secondary victims, and the larger community
- Characterize the conceptual boundaries of victimology
- Evaluate theories that explain victimization
► CJ-330 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems

Course Description
This course is designed to focus on the police, the courts, and the corrections systems through a comparative analysis of different nations within our global society. Participants will examine issues related to crime throughout the world and evaluate the variety of ways that criminal justice systems are organized and implemented globally. The social, cultural, and political background of different systems of justice will be explored while analyzing the diverse influences on legal institutions and systems of justice.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Examine transnational criminal trends throughout the world
- Explain the international value of comparing diverse issues within differing criminal justice systems
- Synthesize various “families of law”
- Classify the crime policies and procedures used in various countries
- Analyze the “systems” used in criminal procedure globally
- Evaluate the unique correctional practices in different countries
- Delineate the domestic and international criminal justice response to terrorism and transnational crimes and criminals
- Assess the functions of modern, worldwide, police forces

► CJ-340 Criminal Justice and Domestic Violence

Course Description
This course confronts the growing epidemic of domestic violence in the United States and explores the dynamics of abusive relationships. The influential factors such as gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, race, religion, ethnicity, and social class are assessed and synthesized in relation to domestic violence. The participants will focus on law enforcement and judicial responses to domestic violence. An assessment of child, spouse, and elderly abuse and the services available to the abused are examined. The course will provide practical information about the challenges involved in legal advocacy for battered persons, including theoretical, ethical, and historical approaches to the problem of domestic violence.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Compile and analyze the elements that constitute domestic violence
- Examine how domestic abuse is experienced from the different perspectives of the abused, abuser, witness, and advocate
- Evaluate the challenges of addressing domestic violence within criminal justice institutions
- Utilize statistics and case law to interpret the effects of domestic violence on society
- Appraise domestic violence programs available to victims and perpetrators with a focus on programs aimed at “breaking the cycle”
- Interpret public policy initiatives directed at domestic violence and assess how these social problems are effectively addressed
- Synthesize the various influences which cause victims to remain in abusive relationships including culture, children, religion, post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic bonding, and Stockholm syndrome
- Explain why batterers continue the cycle of abuse
► CJ-350  Community Based Corrections

Course Description
This course examines the procedures and practices encompassed in community-based corrections and provides a comprehensive, organized overview of the alternatives to institutionalization. An assessment is given of the variety of punishments and treatment programs that provide alternatives to incarceration which include probation, parole, electronic monitoring, house arrest, and day treatment programs. Focus is placed on the risks, costs, and history of these programs along with emphasis on lowering recidivism.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Synthesize the principles of community corrections
- Discuss the concept of correctional diversion programs and their effectiveness on the criminal justice system
- Formulate a comprehensive understanding of the various sentencing options within community-based corrections and similar systems
- Objectively analyze probation and parole operations in the criminal justice system
- Evaluate specialized caseloads and intermediate programs while identifying their effect on probationers and parolees
- Determine barriers and challenges to prisoner reentry programs
- Assess the future of community corrections and identify career opportunities in the field
- Examine special issues in community-based corrections and restoring of rights for program participants

► CJ-360  Juvenile Delinquency: Theory, Practice, and Law

Course Description
This course is designed to teach the student about contemporary issues in juvenile justice. The course covers concepts and theories of juvenile delinquency, social, community, and environmental influences on juvenile delinquency and gives an in-depth look into how the juvenile justice system functions in the United States. Participants will examine the formal and informal institutional settings designed to manage and control juvenile offenders. An assessment is offered of the prediction, prevention, treatment, and control of juvenile delinquency by diverse social control agencies, which are examined relative to social policies needed to reduce the incidence of delinquency.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Synthesize the theories that explain the causes, dynamics, and consequences of juvenile delinquency
- Measure the environmental influences on delinquency
- Examine juvenile delinquency from a historical perspective
- Specify trends and patterns associated with juvenile crime
- Differentiate between biological, psychological, and sociological theories of delinquency
- Evaluate the key role family plays in the socialization of children and its relationship to delinquency
- Explain police procedures for handling juveniles and identify key factors that influence police discretion when dealing with juveniles
- Interpret historical landmark U.S. Supreme Court cases in juvenile justice
Multiculturalism and the Criminal Justice Professional

Course Description
This course will prepare students to interact with individuals within a multicultural society while working within a criminal justice setting. The impact of the decision-making process of criminal justice professionals in regards to cultural consideration and social impact is explored. Emphasis will be placed on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, dynamics in different age groups, and training for the criminal justice professional. This course will provide participants with knowledge and understanding of diverse cultures and issues associated with crime and multicultural views which will assist them in discretionary decision making in the field of criminal justice.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Analyze the diverse values associated within a multicultural society
- Examine critical challenges to multiculturalism and criminal justice
- Demonstrate knowledge of new techniques of multicultural communication in the criminal justice system
- Specify cultural diversity issues facing police, courts, and corrections in the criminal justice professional environment
- Evaluate and apply important theories and policies regarding cultural diversity issues
- Compare and contrast the cultural diversity issues impacting employment with those impacting the relationship between agencies and offenders
- Synthesize the components of a multicultural society and apply model diversity practices utilized by criminal justice entities within the professional environment
- Employ critical thinking, research, and communication skills to cultural diversity issues

Organized Crime

Course Description
This course will provide an overview of organized crime and examine its evolution and its impact on the criminal justice system from a global perspective. Emphasis is placed on the causes of organized crime as well as the various ethnic and nationalistic groups in operation in the United States and internationally. Technological innovation has changed the structure of organized crime in the 21st century. It is now a transnational danger that has evolved into a more complex and volatile situation which threatens destabilization of countries all over the globe. Participants will explore the major laws and statutes used to combat organized crime and intelligence functions which can aid in the combat of organized criminal activity.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Illustrate the nexus between transnational organized crime and terrorism
- Inventory the laws governing substantive and procedural due process, the Rico act, and landmark Supreme Court decisions addressing organized crime
- Evaluate the use of specialized intelligence and its importance when combating organized crime
- Synthesize the diverse organized crime groups and the specific criminal enterprises each are known to be involved in
- Examine the history of the early development of organized crime and the progression of criminal activity within the diverse groups into the 21st century
- Employ criminological theories to explain the occurrence of organized crime
- Appraise measures being taken to combat organized crime around the world and make a synthesized evaluation of the results
- Assess organized criminal activity and its relationship to globalization and transnational criminal enterprises
**CJ-420  Terrorism and Homeland Security**

**Course Description**

This course outlines the history of terrorism and identifies the underlying reasons why the United States is a target for terrorists as it compares and contrasts various international terrorist groups and their respective ideologies and political viewpoints. The course will identify the various government agencies that are involved in the War on Terrorism. Students will be taught the ideological basis for terrorism, learn to distinguish the differences between the various “active” terrorist organizations, and acquire a basic framework for discussing WMD (Weapons of Mass Destruction) issues.

**Course Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Examine national and international law enforcement established to combat terrorism
- Acquire an understanding of the historical foundations of contemporary international terrorism from the point of view of both international relations and comparative politics
- Critically reflect upon the political, social, and economic theories regarding the causes of terrorism, its control, and the consequences of implementing those controls
- Synthesize the elements of domestic terrorism and its effects on the United States' legal and security environments
- Analyze diverse terror groups and their organizational and inter-organizational characteristics to include their recruiting, financing, and operating strategies
- Articulate informed opinion about international terrorism, transnational organized crime, and its global impact
- Assess the roles of militancy, religion, ethnicity, wars, and war-like situations within the scope of terrorism
- Evaluate the challenges of international terrorism intelligence analysis, conflict de-escalation, and apply conclusions of evaluation to methods of intervention

**CJ-430  Cybercrime**

**Course Description**

Included in the course will be a study of cybercrime with an emphasis on information security utilizing conceptual overviews. Topics included will be the history of cybercrime, techniques, terrorism, and information security fundamentals. Students will explore how our current "networked" world has led to certain types of crimes and the necessity of new types of responses. This course examines questions such as how emerging technologies often challenge existing laws and criminal procedures, how diverse jurisdictions regulate criminal conduct across geographic and political boundaries, what reasonable expectations of privacy exist in cyberspace, and how control is shifting from traditional law enforcement to new regulatory regimes which includes the necessity of technology.

**Course Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Synthesize an understanding of the online legal environment and its combined use of the internet in law enforcement
- Critically reflect upon the current concepts regarding internet reform
- Illustrate law enforcement strategies in accomplishing tactical enforcement against cybercrime
- Evaluate challenges in combating cybercrime in the field of child pornography
- Differentiate between transnational and extremist groups with the use of the internet within the field of terrorism
- Assimilate motivational factors in perpetrators of cybercrimes
- Classify various categories of perpetrators of cybercrimes including "hackers," "crackers," and "fraudsters"
- Identify organizations and laws established to combat cybercrime in the public and private sectors
CJ-440  Cyber Security: The Essential Body of Knowledge

Course Description
This course provides a comprehensive understanding of the field of cyber security. Participants will be provided an awareness of cyber threats and vulnerabilities. The course covers a wide variety of topics including securing computers, applications, networks, and the ethical and legal practices affecting computer users. Students will evaluate the issues surrounding cyber vulnerabilities and explore incident response and analysis. The content is targeted at ensuring the privacy, reliability, and integrity of information systems. Practical, hands-on advice about how to create cyber security in a wide range of different career fields will be evaluated. Throughout the course the student is given fictional examples in which they can apply their new knowledge and skills.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Construct a global internet road map for IT security
- Examine various companies and entities to determine their IT and data security needs
- Determine an entity’s corollary roles
- Formulate and administer training for IT security systems and comprehend the necessity for security system training
- Manage compliance, risk assessment, and identify liability issues for IT security
- Interpret national policy regarding cyber security and cyber terrorism
- Assess the use of network management protocols in identifying and resolving IT network vulnerabilities
- Evaluate approaches to secure networks, firewalls, intrusion detection systems, and intrusion prevention systems

CJ-450  Computer Forensics

Course Description
This course provides the student with contemporary information about how the internet has led to the development of new crimes which transcend geographical boundaries and continue to evade law enforcement. Participants will examine network forensics and identify computer crimes. Emphasis will be placed on the research of new laws developed to investigate, prosecute, and punish criminal activity which occurs as a result of internet crime. Integrated throughout the course are perspectives of the legal process relating to computer crimes from state and federal law including methods of interaction with law enforcement and prosecutors, admissibility of expert witness testimony and the use of forensic reports in civil, regulatory, and internal investigations.

Course Outcomes
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Inventory the various concepts, protocols, and tools used in computer forensics
- Analyze networks and network applications
- Examine operating systems used during investigations
- Synthesize the data transferability between input devices and electronic media
- Classify methods of corporate espionage and copyright infringement
- Evaluate sexual harassment incidents and child pornography which occur via the Internet
- Explain the responsibilities and liabilities of a computer forensic investigator
- Construct a plan and prepare for an incident requiring computer forensic skills
CJ-460 Basics of Research Methods for Criminal Justice

Course Description

This course is designed to supply criminal justice students with the knowledge to learn how to gather data about the “where, what, why, and how” regarding crime, corrections, and the demographics of people who engage in criminality. Participants will learn how to conduct research on micro and macro levels and examine the different criminal justice databases in which to gather information. The course includes the participation in projects involving methods for solving criminal justice research problems and provides a foundation for students seeking employment in the criminal justice investigative fields.

Course Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Classify the diverse types of research methods and address ethical issues associated with each method
- Employ the skills necessary to perform research successfully
- Illustrate the methodologies used in research and differentiate between the value and use of each
- Differentiate diverse methods of research and analyze data in the criminal justice field of research
- Assess topics appropriate for evaluation research and problem analysis in the field of criminal justice
- Evaluate the necessary components of the research process: research design, data collection methods, sampling procedures, reliability and validity, and elementary data analysis
- Conduct basic research in the areas of crime and justice
- Construct a working research proposal