

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CJS)

CJS 101 Intro to Criminal Justice (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

This course is designed to provide the student with a general overview of criminal justice in the United States through its historical and philosophical development. This survey and analysis reveals the integrated elements of the larger system. IAI Code: CRJ 901

CJS 102 Intro to Corrections (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

This course is designed to provide the student with a general overview of the historical development of the correctional system in the United States. This survey and analysis reveals the evolution of philosophies of punishment and treatment leading to correctional practices in both institutional and non-institutional environments. Relevant matters of constitutional law will also be covered. IAI Code: CRJ 911

CJS 103 Intro to Cyber Security (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

This introductory cyber security course provides students with an overview of security needs, network systems, recommended safeguard solutions, and management of security devices, systems, and procedures. This course incorporates topics of computer forensics, programming, and systems analysis; net- working; telecommunications; cryptography; security system design; applicable law and regulations; risk assessment and policy analysis; contingency planning; user access issues; investigation techniques; and troubleshooting. This course also includes criminal justice topics such as: issues related to privacy, terrorism, hacktivism, the dark web, and more.

CJS 201 Criminology (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

This course offers the student an opportunity to study and examine criminology. Criminology is the subfield of sociology that focuses upon crime, law, and social control within the context of social organization and culture. While giving legal definitions of wrongful acts their due, the sociological analysis goes beyond this to the social context which gives rise to law/deviance. IAI Code: CRJ 912.

CJS 202 Juvenile Delinquency (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

This course is designed to provide the student with knowledge and understanding of the history of the special social category of juvenile delinquency and the dispensing of juvenile justice in the United States. The evolution of theories and dominant social conceptions are then correlated with practical police, judiciary, and correctional practices. IAI Code: CRJ 914

CJS 203 Criminal Law (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and ENGL 121 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment or Academic placement measures.

This course will analyze the principles and functionalities of substantive criminal law, including elements of a crime, acts, mental state, attendant circumstances, and criminal liability. This course will include evaluation and analysis of crimes against property, habitation, public order, and crimes against persons. Special consideration is given to state criminal law for several of the surrounding states.

CJS 204 Ethics in Criminal Justice (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Lab hours: 0

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and ENGL 121 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment or Academic placement measures.

This course will focus on moral issues, core values, and ethical dilemmas involved for those interested in the field of criminal justice. This course will also focus on ethics in recognizing how criminal justice is engaged in a process of authority, coercive power, and selective discretionary authority. This course will analyze current issues of ethical and moral standards within the criminal justice environment with ideal supervisory solutions.

CJS 205 Criminal Investigation (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and ENGL 121 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment or Academic placement measures.

Provides students with a practical working knowledge of criminal investigation principles, techniques, law, and procedures. The investigative process is studied from basic theoretical concepts to the application of elements for prosecution of specific criminal offenses. Includes a study of crime-scene investigation, interrogation, burglary, assault, sex crimes, death cases, homicide and murder, organized crime, and terrorism.

CJS 206 Policing in America (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and ENGL 121 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment or Academic placement measures.

Policing in America is an overview and analysis of law enforcement history, development, purposes, roles, and status in a democratic society. Material is presented from theoretical standpoints and examines critical issues and advances in crime control.

CJS 208 Intro to Terrorism (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

This course will introduce students to the phenomena of contemporary terrorism and extremism. Emphasis will be placed on extremism as a foundation for terrorist behavior, types of terrorism, and strategies for governments and law enforcement agencies to respond to terrorism. In light of domestic terrorist incidents in the United States and domestic hate crimes, this course will also analyze extremist and terrorist group usage of the media and literature as their influential tools. Additionally this course will focus on the role of law enforcement and other public administrative agencies during incidents of terrorism.

CJS 210 Criminal Procedure (0-3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 0-3

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and CJS 210 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment.

Criminal Procedure introduces students to the rules and procedures that govern the pretrial processing of criminal suspects and the conduct of criminal trials. This course emphasizes Constitutional foundation of criminal procedure and the balance between rights and liberties. This course outlines rules regulating pretrial evidence acquisition by government officials in criminal matters. Discussion includes many issues relevant to Constitutional safeguards, as well as the cases reflecting current trends in criminal procedure.

CJS 212 Communication/Criminal Justice (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and ENGL 121 and SPCH 191 with minimum grade of C or concurrent enrollment in ENGL 121 and SPCH 191.

Criminal Justice professionals rely on exceptional communication skills to balance community and criminal justice concerns. Exceptional written and oral communication skills are a practitioner's most valuable tools in this field. This course will assist students with the development in note-taking and report writing in the criminal justice context. This course will provide an overview of effective communication processes including verbal and non-verbal communication, interviewing and interrogation methods, courtroom demeanor, and effective citizen and criminal offender interactions. Overall, this course is designed to augment the written and interpersonal communication skills for those entering the field of criminal justice.

CJS 214 Cybercrime/Computer Forensics (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Prerequisite: CJS 101 and CJS 103 and INFT 180 with minimum grade of C.

This course focuses on the methods, principles, and laws relating to cybercrime and cybercrime investigations. The course includes an overview of searches and seizures, electronic evidence collections, investigation and administrative processes, various types of cybercrime, and cyberterrorism.

CJS 220 Probation and Parole (3 Credit Hours)

Type of credit: Baccalaureate/Transfer

Lecture hours: 3

Prerequisite: CJS 102 with minimum grade of C and ENGL 121 or Academic placement measures.

This course focuses on the history and evolution of probation, parole, and aspects of community based corrections. This course will include an overview of sentencing, treatment and service programs, administrative organizations, various roles of practitioners, investigation, and supervisory aspects of probation and parole within the legal structure.