

Criminal Justice Course Listings

CJ 100 - Introduction to Criminal Justice (Three hours) - An overview of the criminal justice system with emphasis on the roles and problems of law enforcement, courts, and correctional components.

THIS COURSE IS A PREREQUISITE FOR ALL 300- OR 400- LEVEL CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSES.

CJ 220 – Law Enforcement (Three hours) - Development of the law enforcement; organization and jurisdiction of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies; and functions of police officers.

CJ 221 – Private Security (Three hours) - Organization and management of the security function in industry, business, and government. Exploration of methods to protect personnel, facilities, and other major assets: loss prevention, control, and risk management.

CJ 240 – Juvenile Delinquency (Three hours) - Extent and patterns of delinquency; its development in individuals and gangs; group therapy with delinquents; and juvenile courts, training schools, probation, and aftercare supervision. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 210 – Juvenile Delinquency)***

CJ 250 – Judicial Process (Three hours) - A general overview of U. S. judicial systems, including recent innovations and future trends.

CJ 270 – Corrections (Three hours) - A general overview of U. S. corrections, jails and prisons, institutional procedures, recent innovations, and the future of corrections.

CJ 300 – Survey of Criminology Theories (Three hours) - Study of traditional and modern explanations of crime and criminality. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 350 – Criminology)***

CJ 303 – Racial Minorities, Criminality, and Social Justice (Three hours) - Study of the role played by racial minorities at each stage of the criminal justice system. Special attention is devoted to theories and measurement of minority crimes and race relations and to the treatment of minorities by law enforcement officers, courts, and corrections. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 315 – Race and Ethnic Relations)***

CJ 306 – History of Crime and Its Treatment (Three hours) (W) - Examination in historical sequence of the perspectives on and methods of crime control, from the traditional to the modern.

CJ 316 – The Community and the Criminal Justice System (Three hours) - Individual and group study of the interrelationships between the criminal justice agent (police and corrections) and the public; exploration of areas of conflict and cooperation.

CJ 321 – Criminal Investigation (Three hours) - Fundamentals of criminal investigation from crime scene searches to follow-up investigations and case preparation.

CJ 330 – Organization and Management Concepts of Criminal Justice (Three hours) - Formal organization theory and personnel administration, with emphasis on law enforcement agencies.

CJ 380 – Research Methods (Three hours) - 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. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 300 – Research Methods)***

CJ 381 – Statistics (Three hours) - Prerequisite: Math 110 or Math 112. Statistical methods in criminal justice, including central tendency and dispersion, tests of significance, and measures of association. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 301 – Social Statistics)***

CJ 395 – Internship – (6 to 12 hours) - Internships provide an opportunity for students to conduct career exploration and build a record of experience in the field.

CJ 404 – Health and Crime – (Three hours) (W) – The health consequences of social deviance and the impact of criminalization for individual and societal wellbeing. Seminar discussions cover the criminalization of mental and physical illness and illnesses arising from criminal behavior and incarceration. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 404 – Health and Crime)***

CJ 410 – Community-Based Corrections (Three hours) - Study of intermediate punishments and alternatives to incarceration.

CJ 420 - Seminar in Law Enforcement (Three hours) - Prerequisite: CJ 220 or permission of the instructor.

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

CJ 421 – Crime Prevention and Control (Three hours) - Survey of crime control models.

CJ 430 – Criminal Justice Organizational Behavior (Three hours)

Prerequisite: CJ 330 or permission of the instructor.

Study of criminal justice administration emphasizing theories of administrative behavior, aspects of organizational behavior, role and leadership theories, decision-making, and communication models.

CJ 431 – Criminal Justice Personnel Administration (Three hours)

Prerequisite: CJ 330 or permission of the instructor.

Planning and managing human resources in criminal justice agencies; position classification, recruitment, selection, supervision, performance appraisal, promotion, discipline, and employee organizations.

CJ 440 – Seminar in Juvenile Justice (Three hours) - Organization, functions, and jurisdiction of the juvenile justice system: processing and detention of juveniles, juvenile statutes, juvenile court procedure, and case disposition.

CJ 450 - Seminar in Judicial Process (Three hours) - Prerequisite: CJ 250 or permission of the instructor. Examines the philosophical basis of the American legal system and traces the development of the judicial process.

CJ 460 - Criminal Law I (Three hours) - Classification and analysis of selected areas of the substantive law of crimes, including basic principles of criminal law and crimes against the person and property.

CJ 461 - Criminal Law II (Three hours) - Prerequisite: CJ 460 or permission of the instructor. General principles and theories of criminal procedure, including concepts of due process, arrest, search and seizure, wiretapping, lineups, and other recent developments.

CJ 462- Criminal Evidence (Three hours) - Prerequisite: CJ 460 or permission of the instructor. The law governing the proof of disputed issues of fact in trials and common law. Coverage includes burden of proof, presumptions, judicial notice, and the functions of the judge and jury.

CJ 470 - Seminar in Corrections (Three hours) - Prerequisite: CJ 270 or permission of the instructor. History, analysis, and evaluation of American correctional institutions, including the sociology of confinement and reform movements within the system.

CJ 482 - Criminal Justice Information Systems (Three hours) - Critical study of and original research in data processing applications of use in criminal justice; technological and other developments, equipment and methods, and staff studies.

CJ 483 - Law and Society (Three hours) (W) - Law as an instrument of social control, the functions and limitations of law, and the machinery of law as a part of the larger society. ***(Cross-lists with Sociology 450- Sociology of Law)***

CJ 490- Special Topics in Criminal Justice (Three hours) Examinations of selected problems and issues in criminal justice. May be taken twice, provided the topic is different.

CJ 498- Honors Thesis (Three hours) - Prerequisite: Consult the department. The use of the scientific method of inquiry to study criminal justice and criminology issues.

CJ 499 - Independent Study in Criminal Justice - (One to six hours) Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor. Research under faculty supervision in any area of interest to the student.