

Criminal Justice (CJ)

***101 Introduction to Criminal Justice* 3 credit hours**

An introduction to the fundamental concepts of the criminal justice system. (Fall and Spring)

***102 Criminal Procedure* 3 credit hours**

A study of the constitutional and procedural considerations affecting arrest, search and seizure. (Fall and Spring)

***103 Ethics in Criminal Justice* 3 credit hours**

Introduces students to the nature and significance of ethical conduct in the field of criminal justice. Students will learn about the principles and theories that are the foundation of ethical decision making and gain insight into the latest challenges and issues in criminal justice. This course will examine the ethical responsibilities of police officers, judges, correctional officers and other criminal justice professionals and the moral and ethical dilemmas faced by them. Prereq: CJ 101, 102. (Spring)

***201 Police Patrol Operations* 3 credit hours**

A practical study of the line activities of a police department with special emphasis on the patrol function. Topics include: routine patrol procedures, report writing and processing, filed interviews and note-taking, preliminary investigations, and special operational procedures. Prereq: CJ 101, 102. (As needed)

***202 Emergency Management* 3 credit hours**

This course examines detailed aspects of incident response and contingency planning consisting of incident response planning, disaster recovery planning, and business continuity planning. Developing and executing plans to deal with incidents in the organization is a critical function in information security. This course focuses on the planning processes for all three areas of contingency

planning, incident response, disaster recovery and business continuity, and the execution of response to human and non-human incidents in compliance with these policies. Prereq: CJ 101, 102.

(As needed)

205 Domestic Crimes 3 credit hours

This course is an intensive introductory seminar covering current concepts in family and intimate partner violence, sexual offenses, child abuse, elderly abuse, victimology, and stalking behaviors. An examination of typologies of offenders will include prevalence of offenses, victim characteristics, and risk analysis. Students will also learn about the responses of law enforcement, courts, and corrections to these criminal behaviors. A basic overview of investigative strategies will also be provided. To conclude, offender intervention and treatment programs will be explored. Prereq: CJ 101, 102. (As needed)

220 Drugs and Crimes 3 credit hours

This course analyzes the historical, political, economic, social and cultural factors that affect the use of illicit, misused, or abused substances. The coursework will include a study of the influence these factors have on the social and legal responses to drug use, including legislation, law enforcement and associated policies and procedures. (Spring)

241 Introduction to Homeland Security 3 credit hours

Students will study the components of federal, state, and local homeland security agencies and the relationships between these agencies and the private sector. Particular attention will be placed on policy, plans, and procedures for disaster preparation, mitigation, and response in the government as well as private sector. (Fall, every three years)

301 Corrections 3 credit hours

Students will be involved in an introduction to the philosophy and history of corrections. In depth examination of jails and detention facilities, probation, intermediate sanctions, imprisonment and parole will occur. The course focuses on how today's correctional subsystems function within a larger criminal justice system and the impact on society as a whole. Prereq: CJ 101. (Fall)

302 Policing 3 credit hours

An introduction to police organizations that focuses on the procedures, politics and human relations issues police supervisors and administrators must understand in order to succeed. Topics will cover the evolution of American policing, the organization and the leader, the management of police organizations, and modern organizational issues. Prereq: CJ 101. (Fall)

303 Judicial Process 3 credit hours

Introduces students to the nature and significance of the judicial process in the United States and across the globe. The course is social scientific in its approach, situating the role of the courts and their impact on public policy within a strong foundation in legal theory, political jurisprudence, as well as, legal scholarship. Students will learn the judicial role in creating major social change and the role lawyers, juries, and alternative dispute resolution techniques play in the U.S. and throughout the world. Prereq: CJ 101 (Fall)

312 Criminal Law 3 credit hours

Students will examine criminal law from a doctrinal and theoretical approach. The course will create secure understanding of the law itself while also acquiring a fundamental appreciation of the surrounding philosophical and ethical debates. Prereq: CJ 101. (As needed)

333 Serial Killers 3 credit hours

Motives, methods and state of mind of both serial killers and mass murderers are examined. Includes profiling of these killers and their

victims, as well as theories of causation. Prereq: CJ 101 (Spring)

340 Gangs 3 credit hours

Students in this course will examine the historical and contemporary issue of youth and prison gangs in United States with particular emphasis on gang recruitment, subculture, beliefs, activities, signs, and symbols. Students will also explore the extent of gang activity and involvement in various social institutions as well as the impact youth and prison gangs have on both the juvenile justice system and the criminal justice system. Prereq: CJ 101 (As needed)

360 Human Trafficking 3 credit hours

Students in this course will develop an understanding of the issues surrounding human trafficking. Topics covered will include the history of the various types of human trafficking, the impact trafficking has on its victims, the financial motivations behind human trafficking, as well as efforts to combat human trafficking on international, regional, and national levels. Prereq: CJ 101 (As needed)

370 Investigations 3 credit hours

This course takes a field-based approach to modern investigative principles and practices that are strongly grounded in current research. Students will examine five critical areas essential to understanding criminal investigations; background and contextual issues, criminal evidence, legal procedures, evidence collection procedures, and forensic science. Students will understand the proper conduct when involved in criminal investigations and the relevance to the real world of criminal justice. Prereq: CJ 101. (Fall)

371 Interviewing and Interrogation Methods 3 credit hours

Students will learn interviewing skills that are critical for solving criminal investigations, obtaining information, and developing intelligence. The course is designed to assist criminal justice practitioners in becoming better interviewers by exploring methods and techniques

that enhance the interview process and increase the probability of a successful outcome. Prereq: CJ 101. (Spring)

372 Terrorism 3 credit hours

An exploration of the roots, motivations, and tactics of international and domestic terrorist attacks against the United States, drawing on the approaches of scholars in several fields to investigate the causes and to consider the implications of future U.S. policies regarding terrorism. This course will prepare students for a lifetime of learning and instill knowledge and attitudes necessary for their personal development and reasoned responses to American policies regarding international terrorism. The course will provide the student with facts about international and domestic terrorism in our world today and how it impacts the lives of all Americans. Prereq: CJ 101. (Fall, odd years)

420 Criminal Behavioral Analysis Outline 3 credit hours

Students will explore criminal behavior from criminological, sociological, and psychological perspectives based on empirical research. Students will examine biologically-inherited and socially-experienced determinants of criminal behavior as well as the relationship between criminal offender and victim interaction. Prereq: Soc 320. (Spring, every three years)

460 Leadership and Management in Criminal Justice

3 credit hours

Emphasizes the proactive techniques for administration professionals by using a service quality lens to address administration and management concepts in all areas of the criminal justice system. Students will learn how to develop high-quality and effective criminal justice services. The course will develop skills for responding to the clients within the industry, to include, criminal justice professionals, offenders, victims, and the community. Students will learn to critique their own views of what constitutes management and leadership in

the service sector, all with the goal of improving the effectiveness of the criminal justice system. This course serves as the capstone for the Criminal Justice major. Prereq: CJ 101, 102, 103, 301, 302, 303; Soc 101, 102, 320. (Spring)

***461-469 Special Topics in Criminal Justice* 3 credit hours**

Some elective courses may be offered as special topics in criminal justice on an occasional basis depending on the availability and interests of students and faculty. Prereq: Junior or Senior status (As needed)

***470 Internship in Criminal Justice* 3 credit hours**

Students are placed with cooperating institutions and are jointly supervised by a work supervisor and a faculty member. Specified academic and work requirements are stated in a learning agreement.

Prereq: Must be a full-time student, with a criminal justice major, the semester prior to the one in which the internship will be accomplished. Must have a 3.0 GPA, junior or senior status, and permission of instructor. (As needed)