

CCJ: Criminology And Criminal Justice Courses

Courses

CCJ 2002 Survey of Crime and Justice
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Provides an introduction to the issues of crime and justice in the United States. Discusses the complexities of studying crime and evaluates the role of various criminal justice subsystems. Meets General Education requirement in Social Sciences.

CCJ 3014 Criminology
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Examines the causes, types, and patterns of crime in society. Major schools of thought and current research are introduced, compared, and contrasted in the study of crime and its social context.

CCJ 3024 Criminal Justice System
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Introductory analysis of the American criminal justice system. Structure, organization and process of the criminal justice system, the roles and responsibilities of criminal justice professionals, and the dynamics of the justice system in a democratic society. Additional focus will be on academic writing, APA formatting, searching and using scholarly references. Meets Gordon Rule Writing Requirement.

CCJ 3060 Ethics and the Justice System
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Identification and analysis of ethical issues in the American justice system.

CCJ 3450 Criminal Justice Management and Organization
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Acquaints student with the basic management processes affecting criminal justice agencies, develops the student's ability to analyze management problems and apply effective interventions to those problems in police departments, courts, and corrections agencies.

CCJ 3553 Family Crime and Violence
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Survey of major issues related to family relationships and criminal activity, including theoretical explanations for family violence, patterns of family violence in the United States, and how family relationships during childhood can affect long-term behavior. This course will help to elucidate some of the most important elements of the connection between family relationships and crime.

CCJ 3654 Drugs, Crime, and Criminal Justice
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Explores the interactions between drugs, crime, and society. Relevant history, theory, and research related to drug use, prevention, rehabilitation, and the drug-crime link will be explored critically. Additionally, this course will examine the pharmacology of drugs and the prevalence of usage. As such, this course aims to provide a foundation for a better understanding the relationship between drugs, crime, and the criminal justice system.

CCJ 3666 Victimology
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

The study of the interrelationships between crime, criminals, victims, and the criminal justice system. Areas of emphasis include victim's rights, restorative justice, as well as the psychological, financial, and medical needs and problems of the victim.

CCJ 3678 Race, Gender, Ethnicity, and Crime
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Analysis of the demographic state of affairs in criminal justice in the United States. Designed to elicit discussion regarding the interrelationships between race, gender, ethnicity, and the criminal justice system. Meets Multicultural Requirement.

CCJ 3691 Sex Offenses and the Offender
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Comprehensive overview of psychological, sociological and legal issues related to sex offenses. Additionally, the sexual offenders and different typologies of the sex offender will be discussed.

CCJ 3905 Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

CCJ 4026 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Examines the nature and extent of crime in modern Western society. Emphasis placed on issues selected from, but not limited to, emerging patterns of violence, organized crime, white-collar crime, victimless crime, corruption, and those crime strategies deemed appropriate in a democracy.

CCJ 4141 Restorative Justice
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Introduces the philosophy of restorative justice. Students critically analyze and compare retributive justice with restorative justice. Explores various restorative justice methodologies and evaluation of those methodologies. Hands on instruction in the use of restorative practices will be given.

CCJ 4641 Organized Crime
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

An exploration of major issues related to organized crime. Topics include historical aspects, theoretical perspectives, and criminal actions commonly associated with organized crime activities.

CCJ 4644 White Collar Crime
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Considers the question "what is white-collar crime?" and the implications associated with enforcement of laws related to white-collar criminality, investigation and prosecution of such offenses and sentencing of white-collar offenders. Various forms of white-collar crime will be examined and illustrated through case studies and research, including estimates of cost, victim and offender profiles, and legal issues. Examines theoretical explanations for white-collar crime and questions of corporate liability.

CCJ 4700 Research Design in Criminal Justice
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Designed to give students an understanding of the basic principles and practices of empirical research as they are practiced in criminal justice and to enhance students' critical thinking skills with respect to criminal justice programs and proposals. Meets Gordon Rule Writing Requirement.

CCJ 4905 Directed Study

1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

CCJ 4931 Special Topics in Criminal Justice

3 sh (may be repeated for up to 18 sh of credit)

The study of special issues in criminal justice. Subject matter will vary each semester to reflect an in-depth study of particular issues (e.g. gangs) or fields of criminology (e.g. corrections and theories of punishment) being examined. This includes grounding course content in criminological theory, as well as related theoretical frameworks.

CCJ 4939 Criminal Justice Seminar

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Prerequisite: (CCJ 3014 AND CCJ 3024 AND CCJ 4700) OR CJC 4010 OR CJE 4110 OR CJL 3510

This capstone class is a comprehensive and critical review of the criminal justice curriculum with a focus on contemporary issues. This seminar will help students explore and prepare for a career in criminal justice and/or graduate education. Students are provided the opportunity to explore current criminal justice issues and criminal justice careers through an integration of knowledge gained in the criminal justice curriculum. Students will demonstrate oral and written communication skills.

CCJ 4940 Criminal Justice Internship

1-6 sh (may be repeated for up to 9 sh of credit)

Prerequisite: ((CCJ 3014 AND CCJ 3024 AND CCJ 4700)) AND (CJC 4010 OR CJE 4110 OR CJL 3510)

Internship in field of criminal justice intended to give field observation and experience. This internship is a cooperative effort between the criminal justice program at the University of West Florida and public or private community agencies. The purpose of the internship is to give students the opportunity to apply their education to actual work situations. The student works under the supervision of an agency professional. A 3 credit hour internship may be used to satisfy the capstone experience in the criminal justice core requirements.

CCJ 5018 Crime and Public Policy

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Analysis of various policy initiatives designed to reduce the level of crime. Applies elements of criminological theory and research methods to critically evaluate the effectiveness of policies.

CCJ 5669 Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Criminal Justice

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Dissects the pervasive links between crime, justice, race, ethnicity, and gender. Analyzes the challenges posed by rendering justice in a multicultural society.

CCJ 5905 Directed Study

1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

CCJ 6006 Criminal Justice Administration

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

This course focuses on the principles of organization, administration, and function of criminal justice agencies. These agencies include law enforcement, the courts, and corrections. The course includes an examination of management approaches and problems in criminal justice, including the planning and evaluation techniques and the use of information systems.

CCJ 6008 Criminal Justice Theory

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Analyzes the theoretical perspectives associated with the policies, organizations, decisions, and operations of criminal justice systems, agencies, and individuals. Examines classical and contemporary research in criminal justice.

CCJ 6061 Criminological Theory

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Examines criminological theories with emphasis on the origins and applications of relevant theoretical approaches to crime and criminally deviant behavior. Addresses theoretical concepts and propositions of most (though not all) of the major criminological theories, the related empirical research that has tested these theories, and the corresponding policy implications.

CCJ 6145 Offender Rehabilitation and Reentry

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Critical analysis of issues related to offender reentry and recidivism, and the rehabilitative ideal of corrections. Restorative justice will also be discussed as a viable alternative offender treatment option. The role victims and community members play in the successful treatment and re-integration of offenders back into society will additionally be examined.

CCJ 6427 Issues in Contemporary Criminal Justice

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

An in-depth study of issues confronting 21st Century criminal justice systems. Topics include those associated with current events and controversies.

CCJ 6704 Research Methodology

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Covers issues related to research methods and data analysis as they are applied in the field of criminal justice and criminology. Explores scientifically acceptable inquiry and how to conduct empirical research in criminology and criminal justice. Evaluates methodological and ethical issues related to crime and criminal justice research.

CCJ 6705 Analysis of Quantitative and Qualitative Data

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Prerequisite: CCJ 6704

Methods and techniques for diagnostics, management, and analysis of criminological and criminal justice data in both quantitative and qualitative nature. Statistical theory and research design issues specific to criminological and criminal justice analyses are covered along with hands-on computer experience using computerized statistical programs such as SPSS.

CCJ 6745 Policing and Society

3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Analysis of classical and contemporary readings designed to examine the unique position, organization, and challenges of policing a complex society. Also explores the future of policing.

CCJ 6905 Directed Study

1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

CCJ 6910 Criminal Justice Area Paper
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Under the direction of the faculty, the student prepares a comprehensive analysis of a topic within criminal justice. The paper will include a critical and comprehensive review of the literature related to the chosen topic. The paper may include a research proposal and/or presentation of research findings.

CCJ 6930 Seminar: Special Topics in Criminal Justice
3 sh (may be repeated for up to 12 sh of credit)

Designed to provide students with specialized knowledge in a particular field of criminal justice such as juvenile justice/ corrections or on a cutting edge topic of relevance to criminal justice practitioners such as restorative justice or homeland security.

CCJ 6946 Criminal Justice Internship
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Internship in field of criminology and criminal justice intended to give field observation and experience. This internship is a cooperative effort between the criminal justice program at the University of West Florida and public or private community agencies. The purpose of the internship is to give students the opportunity to apply their education to actual work situations. The student works under the supervision of an agency professional. Course requirements include a research component.