

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSES

CRJ — Criminal Justice

CRJ 101 Intro to Criminal Justice 3-0-3

This course includes an overview of the functions and responsibilities of agencies involved in the administration of justice to include police organizations, court systems, correctional systems, and juvenile justice agencies.

CRJ 115 Criminal Law I 3-0-3

This course covers the development of criminal law in America. The basic elements of specific criminal offenses, criminal defenses, and various legal principles upon which criminal law is established are reviewed.

CRJ 120 Constitutional Law 3-0-3

This course covers the analysis of the historical development of the U.S. Constitution and the relationship of rights contained therein to the State and the individual. The application of the Bill of Rights to federal and state systems is examined.

CRJ 125 Criminology 3-0-3

This course is a study of the various theories of criminal causation and control, the identification of criminal typologies and the reaction of society to crime and criminals.

CRJ 130 Police Administration 3-0-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 101

This course is a study of the organization, administration, and management of law enforcement agencies.

CRJ 145 Juvenile Delinquency 3-0-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 125

Corequisites: CRJ 101

This course includes a survey of the sociological, biological, and psychological theories involved in juvenile delinquency, modern trends in prevention, and treatment.

CRJ 201 Fingerprint Science 2-3-3

This course includes a basic, practical approach to fingerprint classification, identification, and filing system for the police officer, investigator, or beginning fingerprint technician.

CRJ 202 Criminalistics 2-3-3

This course covers an introduction to investigative techniques which stress the examination of questioned documents, fingerprint techniques, polygraph examinations, firearms' identifications, pathology, toxicology, ballistics, and clandestine operations.

CRJ 203 Forensic Photography 2-3-3

Corequisites: CRJ 101

This course is designed to introduce students to procedures for photographic documentation of crime scenes and physical evidence, including preparation of court exhibits and in-court presentations.

CRJ 218 Crisis Intervention 3-0-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 235

This course is a study of the situational procedures and techniques necessary in defusing situations identified as crises.

CRJ 220 The Judicial Process 3-0-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 101, 120

This course is an overview of the law-making function of the courts, the growth of common law, the structure and organization of the courts, court processes and procedures involved in criminal and civil cases, and the question of reform for the administration of justice.

CRJ 224 Police Community Relations 3-0-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 101, 130

This course is a study of the importance of two-way communication between the criminal justice system and the community to foster a working relationship to control crime. A variety of topics are studied, including citizen involvement in crime prevention and police officer interpersonal relations.

CRJ 229 Bloodstain Pattern Analysis 2-3-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 101, CRJ 202, CRJ 203

This course is an introduction to the theoretical foundations and scientific principles of bloodstain pattern analysis in the investigation of crimes of violence, including the properties, flight characteristics and bloodstain patterns, documentation and investigative significance of bloodstains.

CRJ 230 Criminal Investigation I 3-0-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 120

Corequisites: CRJ 101

This course is a study of the fundamentals of interviewing witnesses and interrogating suspects. Different methods of conducting crime scene searches and methods used in investigating various crimes are studied in the course.

CRJ 235 Practical Crime Scene Investig 2-3-3

Prerequisites: CRJ 101, CRJ 201, CRJ 203, CRJ 229

This course is the study of practical, hands-on instruction in methodology and policies for the identification, interpretation, collection, packaging, preservation, and chain of custody of crime scenes and evidence taken from the crime scenes.

CRJ 236 Criminal Evidence **3-0-3**

Prerequisites: CRJ 115, CRJ 120, CRJ 220

This course studies established rules of evidence from arrest to release in the administration of criminal justice. The course focuses on the relationship between evidence and criminal procedure. This course will examine the path that evidence takes from arrest through presentation in court including the rules of evidence, examination of witnesses, articles and exhibits, opinion evidence, and jury process and verdict.

CRJ 242 Correctional Systems **3-0-3**

Prerequisites: CRJ 101, CRJ 125

This course is an introduction to aspects of the correctional function in criminal justice, including organization, process, procedure, and clients incarcerated and on conditional release.

CRJ 260 Seminar in Criminal Justice **3-0-3**

Prerequisites: CRJ 125, CRJ 130, ENG 101, ENG 102

Corequisites: CRJ 236, SPC 205

This course includes a study of new trends in criminal justice. This course through an internship of 135 clock hours, a portfolio development and presentation allows the criminal justice student to demonstrate effective skills and competencies based on the courses successfully completed for the Associate in Applied Science in Criminal Justice. The course is a second-year course limited to those students who are completing the Associate in Applied Science in Criminal Justice, and is one of the final courses the criminal justice student attempts. Instructor of Record or Department Chair permission required.