

**CJ226 Penology**

Credit hours: 3

Scheduled hours per week

Lecture: 2.5

Lab: 0

Other: 0

Catalog course description:

Development of interpersonal communication and decision making skills for direct intervention with correctional clients and analysis of current methods of correctional treatment with a focus on rehabilitation.

Pre-requisites: None

Co-requisites: None

Course learning outcomes:

Explore the history of corrections and various types of correctional institutions

Discuss correctional theories in relation to rehabilitation of offenders

Describe various correctional treatment and rehabilitation programs

Explain best practices and evidence-based programming related to correctional treatment practices and rehabilitation programs

Topics to be studied:

Correctional treatment programs, both inside and outside correctional facilities

The risks, needs, and responsivity model

Rehabilitation and restorative justice programs

Evaluation practices related to correctional programming

Relationship of course to program or discipline learning outcomes:

Demonstrate proficiency in the vocabulary pertaining to the Criminal Justice field.	X
Explain the history and evolution of the CJ system in the US.	
Explain the investigative process and applicable laws.	
Demonstrate a basic understanding of the law and the legal system in the US.	
Examine the history and theories of and current practices within the corrections system.	X
Explain ethics and how it applies to the CJ system and various CJ professionals.	
Recognize the root causes of crime and criminal behavior and the role criminological theory plays in the study of CJ.	X
Display decision-making and critical thinking skills as they relate to CJ.	X
Apply learned concepts by bridging the gap between theories and practice.	X
Display an advanced level of understanding of CJ theories and concepts.	
Demonstrate a proficiency in writing, research, and critical thinking pertaining to the CJ field.	
Recognize the underlying societal problems that lead to crime and victimization.	
Utilize CJ theories and concepts to combat social problems and distribute resources effectively.	X

Relationship of course to general education learning outcomes:

Composition and Rhetoric: Students illustrate a fundamental understanding of the best practices of communicating in English and meet the writing standards of their college or program-based communication requirements.	
Science and Technology: Students successfully apply systematic methods of analysis to the natural and physical world, understand scientific knowledge as empirical, and refer to data as a basis for conclusions.	
Mathematics and Quantitative Skills: Students effectively use quantitative techniques and the practical application of numerical, symbolic, or spatial concepts.	
Society, Diversity, and Connections: Students demonstrate understanding of and a logical ability to successfully analyze human behavior, societal and political organization, or communication.	X
Human Inquiry and the Past: Students interpret historical events or philosophical perspectives by identifying patterns, applying analytical reasoning, employing methods of critical inquiry, or expanding problem-solving skills.	
The Arts and Creativity: Students successfully articulate and apply methods and principles of critical and creative inquiry to the production or analysis of works of art.	
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Special requirements of the course:

None

Additional information:

None

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