

Criminal Justice (CRJ)

CRJ 103 Introduction to Criminal Justice

IAI – CRJ 901

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

A review of historical and ideological foundations of the criminal justice system; delineation of major patterns of practice and organizational structure; specific focus on and description of the primary components of the criminal justice system and their relationships.

CRJ 105 Criminal Behavior

IAI – CRJ 912

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

An introduction to criminological theories and their application to the nature and causes of crime; utilization of theory in the analysis of and attempts to control crime; explanation of the multi-disciplinary aspects of criminology; discussion of interconnected relationship between the criminal justice system, offender, and the victim.

CRJ 115 Policing

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course examines the law enforcement component of the criminal justice system. The historical and contemporary perspective of policing in America is explored. Various issues such as organization, role, recruitment, patrol, discretion, police-community relations, police

accountability, and international comparisons are studied. Upon completion of this course, the student will have an understanding of the internal and societal challenges that confront police on a daily basis.

CRJ 203 Introduction to Security

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course will introduce the student to public and private security issues. Emphasis will be placed on history of public and private security agencies, proprietary and contractual organizations of security, security planning, asset protection and loss prevention, physical security and design.

CRJ 205 Investigation Techniques

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course enables the student to examine the major theories and techniques of criminal investigation. Upon completion of this course, the student will have an understanding of the techniques of criminal investigation and will have learned some of the skills of investigation. He or she will also have learned the value and techniques of preserving evidence and how the chain of evidence is vital to a successful prosecution.

CRJ 207 Ethics in Criminal Justice

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course concentrates on the major functions, structures, and processes that

underline ethical issues within the American justice system. Specific attention will be paid to the moral theories and the ethical development of criminal justice officials. Topics will include ethics in law enforcement, ethics in courts, ethics in corrections, ethics in the private sector security. Assessments of various issues will be examined as they relate to decision making, professionalism, law, policies, and procedures.

CRJ 209 Criminal Law

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course covers the substantive criminal law encompassed in the criminal code and the constitutional limits on criminal law. Upon completion of the course, the student will be familiar with the key provisions of the criminal code, including elements of the offenses, parties to crimes, and defenses to criminal liability.

CRJ 218 Introduction to Corrections

IAI – CRJ 911

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

An examination of the United States correctional system to include; county jails, juvenile facilities, state and federal prison systems. Emphasis will be placed on administration and operational models in both the community and institutional environment, history and evolution of corrections, correctional institution designs, constitutional law considerations, and punishment philosophies.

CRJ 219 Criminal Procedure

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course will examine the due process functions of the criminal law. Upon completion of the course, the student will have an understanding of the law and constitutional considerations concerning probable cause, arrest, search and seizure, stop and frisk, confessions and admissions, and legal evidence. Recent Supreme Court decisions affecting these areas will be covered.

CRJ 220 Probation, Parole, and Community-Based Corrections

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course will examine alternatives to incarceration and include the history and philosophical foundations of such programs. Special emphasis will be given to probation and parole systems, models of community-based corrections such as group homes, work release programs, and half-way houses. Treatment and rehabilitation methods will also be covered.

CRJ 221 Police Administration

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course will introduce the student to modern principles of organization and management. The course will provide background in organizational theory, behavior, and administration. Emphasis will be placed on objectives of police operations and future trends in police administration.

CRJ 223 Juvenile Justice

IAI – CRJ 914

3 Hours

Prerequisites: None

3 hours weekly (3-0)

This course is a general overview of the juvenile justice system in the United States, with a concentration on the methods available for dealing with juvenile victims and offenders in the State of Illinois. The course includes historical and contemporary perspectives on the justice system's handling of minors as well as definitions of the different categories of juvenile court cases, techniques for treating juvenile victims and offenders, types of foster care and residential treatment facilities available for minors, and types of community-based programs that deal with juvenile offenders. A major portion of the course will deal with delinquency issues, including informal and formal supervision, detention, institutionalization, gangs, and alcohol/drug use by minors.