Courses in Criminal Justice

R Crj 201
Introduction to the Criminal Justice Process (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Analysis of the decisions made in the process whereby citizens become suspects, suspects become defendants, some defendants are convicted and in turn become probationers, inmates and parolees. Analysis of operational practices at the major criminal justice decision stages. Analysis of innovative programs and the dilemmas of change in policing, diversion, court administration, sentencing and community correctional programs. T CRJ 201 is the Honors College version of R CRJ 201. Only one version may be taken for credit
(2292) Mair, Colleen
6 Week 3: July 8-August 16
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 202
Introduction to Law & Criminal Justice (4)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Students will study judicial decisions involving constitutional and other legal issues relevant to criminal justice, including the government's power to define conduct as criminal, procedural rights, defense, the rights of juveniles, and punishments.
(1577) Malatesta, Joanne
4 Week 2: June 24-July 19
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 203
Criminology (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Introduction to the study of crime, including the development of criminal law, the relationship between crime and social structure, and the individual and social causes of crime. Only one of A Soc 203; A Soc 381; R Crj 200 or R Crj 203 can be taken for credit. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115 or 115Z.
(2040) Kuettel, Benjamin
4 Week 1: May 28-July 5
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 282
Introduction to Research Design in Criminal Justice (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. The practical aspect of doing theoretically informed criminological research. The course should provide students with 1) the methods of research available to criminologists, 2) the connection between theory and data, and 3) how to make criminological sense out of a body of data. It will cover a variety of design issues, methodological issues and analytic techniques. The techniques provide a springboard for the discussion of important methodological issues: the relationship between theory and data, the logic of inference, causality, data collection, model specification, standardized versus unstandardized data and many others. Prerequisite(s): R CRJ 281.
(2035) Zakrzewski Jr., William
6 Week 1: May 28-July 5
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 302
Punishment and Correction (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Interdisciplinary review of the history of criminal punishment, analyzing the main changes that have occurred and their causes. Examines the dominant justifications used for punishing offenders, such as deterrence, retribution and rehabilitation. Special attention is given to the implications of the different justifications of punishment for current penological practice such as prison, jail, probation, parole, other alternative ways of dealing with offenders and sentencing. Reform is then discussed within this historical and interdisciplinary context.

Prerequisite(s): R Crj 200 or 201.

(1740) Fei, Jingyi
4 Week 2: June 24-July 19
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 320
Problem Oriented Policing (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. This course reviews the history of problem oriented policing (POP) and its role as a modern policing strategy in America and internationally. The precursors to POP such as Community Oriented Policing and different policing styles and strategies are reviewed, and their special relationships with POP analyzed. The role of problem solving in everyday policing and how it may or may not differ from POP is examined. The student will learn how to specify problems so that the appropriate police responses may be identified. Using the scientific approach of SARA, ways of assessing the effectiveness of police responses and interventions to specific problems are demonstrated.

(2295) Biggers, Zachariah
4 Week 3: July 22-August 16
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 353
American Criminal Courts (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Examines the organization and operations of state and local criminal court systems from the perspective of social science research and public policy analysis. Major issues include: the role of courts in American society; bail and pre-trial procedures; the roles and decisions of prosecutors, judges and the defense bar; selection and operation of grand juries and trial juries; sentencing of criminal defendants; and others. The operations of juvenile and adult courts are compared, and efforts directed toward court reform are assessed. Prerequisite(s): junior or senior class standing.

(1894) Kordzek, Andrea
4 Week 1: May 28-June 21
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 399
Seminar in Criminal Justice: Dehumanization: US vs Them (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Covers a variety of topics in the criminal justice system. Content varies with each offering. May be repeated for up to 12 credits when content varies.

(2026) Wahrer, Katherine
6 Week 1: May 28-July 5
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 417
Cross-National Crime (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. The purpose of this course is to describe and understand geographic and temporal variations in the amounts and types of crime across countries. Students will critically examine the data, methods, and theories used to measure and explain crime across nations and over time.

(2042) Alsdaleben, Megan
6 Week 2: June 24-August 2
Online course in Blackboard
R Crj 495
Special Topics in Criminal Justice: International Criminal Justice Systems (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. This course will entail an exploration of justice systems around the world. Students will learn about different legal traditions, and will examine international perspectives on and practices in law enforcement, courts and corrections. Prerequisite(s): R Crj 200 or 201 and junior or senior class standing; or permission of instructor.
(2034) Kordzek, Andrea
4 Week 2: June 24-July 19
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 540
Theoretical Foundations of Criminal Justice (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. This course introduces students to theoretical work on criminal justice process and policy, from multiple disciplinary perspectives. Topics discussed include theoretical approaches to studying individual, organizational, system, and political behavior. Emphasis is placed on the practical utilization of theory to inform development of research problems and agendas.
(2300) Kordzek, Andrea
6 Week 1: May 28-July 5
Online course in Blackboard

R Crj 648
Terrorism, Public Security, and Law Enforcement (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. This course reviews the role of domestic law enforcement in homeland security, including the prevention of and response to terrorism. Consideration of strategic issues that arise with respect to specific forms of terrorist threats, and of managerial issues, including the collection, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence, risk assessment and resource allocation, intergovernmental and interagency cooperation and conflict, and investigative authority and civil liberties.
(2301) Lanier Jr., Charles
12 Week: May 28-August 16
Online course in Blackboard