

## Course Descriptions Criminal Justice CRJU

<b>CRJU 1500 (F) Introduction to Criminal Justice</b> . This is an introductory course for the Criminal Justice program. It is a survey of the history and function of the different sections of the American criminal justice system including courts, corrections, and law enforcement. Additional topics will include the future of the justice system as well as an introduction to alternatives to our current justice responses
CRJU 2500 (S) Criminal Investigation for Forensic Science. This course is an introduction to the criminal justice system's use of forensic science technology. The focus will be on collecting and preserving evidence, learning forensic science technologies, and presenting evidence in court. Current research, hands-on exercises, and mock crime scenes will be used
CRJU 2610 (F, O) Criminal Procedure. This course is designed to survey the foundations of our criminal course system as defined in the U. S. Constitution, Federal, and State laws. Topics will include due process and procedure of criminal courts. Special emphasis will be placed on the safeguards provided to citizens in the U.S. Constitution
<b>CRJU 2620 (F, E)</b> Criminal Law. Criminal Law examines state and federal crimes of the United States. This course provides an historical overview of the philosophy and foundations of criminal law and examines elements of crime, purposes and functions of law, and the limits of law. It also covers topics such as defenses to prosecution4 s.h Prerequisite/Co-requisite: CRJU 1500
<b>CRJU 2800 Serial and Mass Murders.</b> This course explores current research and case studies of serial killers and mass murders. Topics of discussion will include profiling, behavioral case studies, typologies, the history of these phenomena, and our culture's fascination with this behavior
<b>CRJU 2900 Special Topics in Criminal Justice</b> . This course will cover different topics within the study of criminal justice. A slate of topics including Serial and Mass Murder and Race, Gender, and Crime will be rotated with every offering
CRJU 3000 (F, E) Juvenile Justice. This course will provide an overview of the beginnings and philosophy of the juvenile justice system in the United States. There will be a focus on theories of delinquency, special interventions for juveniles, status offenses, drug crime, and gangs. Important court cases and the constitutional rights of juveniles will also be discussed
CRIII 3100 (S. F.) American Systems of Corrections. American Systems of

Corrections is an overview of the history and development of the punishment system

how other countries shaped its formation. There will also be an emphasis on the goals and types of punishments, alternatives to incarcerations, and capital punishment. Christianity's influence on our historical penitentiaries and our modern correctional facilities will also be a focus
<b>CRJU 3110 (S, O) American Policing.</b> American Policing will provide a broad survey of the history and progression of law enforcement in America beginning with its early relationship to British law enforcement. The focus will be on understanding law enforcement as a type of social control. We will also analyze the use of policy in shaping law enforcement practices and techniques as well as the special problems associated with this type of employment such as stress
CRJU 3330 (F, O) Research Methods in Criminal Justice. Research Methods in Criminal Justice will include an examination of qualitative and quantitative methods of social science research with an emphasis on criminal justice theory and policy. Various research strategies, including sample surveys, observation, experiments, and evaluation, are discussed
<b>CRJU 3440 Applied Research Methods</b> . This course will focus on the use of statistical methods in the analysis and interpretation of research in the field of criminal justice. Topics of discussion will include: how research and statistics are used to better understand criminology, human behavior, and criminal justice policy
<b>CRJU 3600 (S, O) Theories of Criminology</b> . Theories of Criminology will include focused discussions on the analysis of the major criminological, sociological, and psychological theories that seek to explain why people commit crimes and how people become victims of crimes
<b>CRJU 4200 (S, E) Ethics and Justice</b> . This course includes discussion of the different ethical issues faced by criminal justice professionals such as prosecutorial and judicial misconduct, corrections issues, and law enforcement deviance. The examination of different ethical dilemmas and scenarios will be used
<b>CRJU 4550 (F, O) Criminal Justice Policy</b> . This course discusses current issues in criminal justice policy and criminology research. This course will deal with new research and policy implications in a wide range of areas. Topics will include research methodological issues, police operations, correctional treatment programs, court and legal issues, gun control, corrections, and drug issues
CRJU 4600 (S, E) Alternatives to Justice: Restorative Justice. This course focuses on alternatives to the traditional ways crime is addressed by the criminal justice system and how they can be implemented in our current system. Students will examine ways

they can be agents of cultural transformation in the lives of the citizens they interact within the course of their careers. Discussion will focus on alternatives to our current

justice system	۶.h
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CRJU 4990 Comprehensive Assessment. Upon completion of all criminal justice	
coursework, students will take a comprehensive examination to demonstrate competency	7
in the field. The exam will be taken at the student's assigned campus, online, or at an	
ETS testing center. Students must make a passing grade to meet this requirement. The	
passing grade is based on nationally-normed data and must be higher than two standard	
deviations below the mean for that academic year. If students do not receive a passing	
score, they have the opportunity to complete and pass either a program portfolio	

demonstrating their coursework during the program or to complete a departmental