

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CRIJ)

♦CRIJ 1301

Introduction to Criminal Justice

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course provides a historical and philosophical overview of the American criminal justice system, including the nature, extent, and impact of crime; criminal law; and justice agencies and processes.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent, or co-enrolled in INRW 0030.

♦CRIJ 1306

Court Systems and Practices

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is a study of the court system as it applies to the structures, procedures, practices and sources of law in American courts, using federal and Texas statutes and case law.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent.

♦CRIJ 1307

Crime in America

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is the study of American crime problems in historical perspective, social and public policy factors affecting crime, impact and crime trends, social characteristics of specific crimes and prevention of crime.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent.

♦CRIJ 1310

Fundamentals of Criminal Law

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is the study of criminal law including application of definitions, statutory elements, defenses and penalties using Texas statutes, the Model Penal Code, and case law. The course also analyzes the philosophical and historical development of criminal law and criminal culpability.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent.

♦CRIJ 1313

Juvenile Justice System

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This is the study of the juvenile justice process to include specializing in juvenile law, the role of the juvenile courts, police agencies and correctional agencies, as well as a focus on the theories of juvenile delinquency.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent.

♦CRIJ 2313

Correctional Systems and Practices

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is a survey of institutional and non-institutional corrections. Emphasis will be placed on the organization and operation of correctional systems; treatment and rehabilitation; populations served; Constitutional issues; and current and future issues.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent; and a grade of "C" or higher in CRIJ 1301.

♦CRIJ 2314

Criminal Investigation

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course will focus on investigative theory; collection and preservation of evidence; sources of information; interview and interrogation; uses of forensic sciences; case and trial preparation.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent; and a grade of "C" or higher in CRIJ 1301.

♦CRIJ 2323

Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is the study of police authority; responsibilities; constitutional constraints; laws of arrest, search, and seizure; police liability.

Prerequisites: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent; and a grade of "C" or higher in CRIJ 1301 (or Program Chair approval).

♦CRIJ 2328

Police Systems and Practices

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course examines the establishment, role and function of police in a democratic society.

It will focus on types of police agencies and their organizational structure, police-community interaction, police ethics, and use of authority.

Prerequisite: TSI complete in Reading and Writing, or equivalent; and a grade of "C" or higher in CRIJ 1301.