CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CJU)

CJU 150 Patrol Procedures (3 Credits)

This course introduces the fundamentals of policing and the personal side of law enforcement, including methods of operations associated with police work and patrol duties.

CJU 201 Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 Credits)

This course provides an examination of the criminal justice system and process, including crime, law-making, prosecution, police, courts, and corrections.

CJU 204 Traffic Law and Enforcement (3 Credits)

This course provides an introduction to traffic control, traffic laws, driver and pedestrian behavior, techniques used to detect violators, and crash reduction strategies. Emphasis is placed on traffic codes, DUI, pursuit procedures, and discretionary police powers.

CJU 211 Introduction to Policing (3 Credits)

This course centers on the role of law enforcement at the Local, State, Tribal and Federal levels within the criminal justice system.

CJU 212 Introduction to Homeland Security (3 Credits)

This course introduces students to current public management policies and issues relevant to the security of the United States. The coordination of federal, state and local government agencies and nonprofit organizations that respond to threats is vital to the security of people, property and our way of life. The course relies upon theories, concepts and case studies to explore the challenges facing organizations that are a part of protecting our homeland security.

CJU 221 Criminal Law (3 Credits)

This course is a study of classification of crimes and evolution of criminal law. Essential elements of a criminal offense are covered along with an indepth

CJU 225 Weapons and Physical Fitness (3 Credits)

This course covers the use of firearms commonly utilized by law enforcement agencies and places emphasis on weapons safety, cleaning, and maintenance. Physical fitness training and healthy lifestyle choices are included.

CJU 226 Criminal Investigations (4 Credits)

This course provides an introduction to criminal investigation procedures including theory of an investigation, conduct at a crime scene, and methods used in the forensic laboratory. Fingerprinting, ballistics, hand writing analysis, and surveillance techniques are covered.

CJU 231 Ethics in Criminal Justice I (3 Credits)

This course covers the theoretical foundation for solving ethical criminal justice dilemmas. Scenarios of ethical issues arising in state, federal, and tribal legal systems are covered.

CJU 254 Juvenile Justice (3 Credits)

This course provides an introduction to the juvenile justice system including history, officer contact, the court process, guardianship, dependency and questions of delinquency, measurement and theory.

CJU 270 Corrections (3 Credits)

This course provides an overview of the history of corrections in criminal justice. Prison operations, overcrowding, and inmate subculture are explored. Correctional officer duties, training, and responsibilities are addressed.

CJU 300 Community Policing in (3 Credits)

This course examines the relationship between law, police, and community in the context of community policing within diverse cultures. The history and development of community policing, community relations, problem solving/problem oriented policing, and issues of organizational change are covered. The effectiveness of community policing strategies are covered.

CJU 310 Media Relations (3 Credits)

This course is designed to familiarize students with the relationship between media and law enforcement agencies.

CJU 320 Parole and Probation (3 Credits)

This course explores probation and parole procedures as well as community corrections options. Students will gain an understanding of the importance of the presentence investigation and the duties that parole/probation officers fulfill in conducting those reports.

CJU 330 Criminological Theory (3 Credits)

This course is an examination of the major theories relied upon to explain criminal behavior. Criminological perspectives from the historical to the contemporary will be evaluated along with applicability to offense categories and offender typologies.

CJU 346 Forensics / Criminalistics (3 Credits)

This course provides a theoretical and practical understanding of how a crime scene is processed, evidence is collected, and tested. Technology is used in crime scene investigation, preservation and testing of evidence. Students learn chain of custody and case law for collecting, handling, and use of evidence in preparation for trial.

CJU 350 Criminal Evidence and Procedure (3 Credits)

This course focuses on the development of evidentiary rules in Federal, State, and Tribal Courts. General admissibility tests, rules of admissibility, and the law governing identification evidence will be covered. Specific emphasis is placed on the application of the rules in preparing for and presenting evidence in court.

CJU 351 Administration of Criminal Justice (3 Credits)

This course examines the basic structures and processes of the main components of the American criminal justice system and the interrelationship between the system components.

CJU 360 Victims and Victimology (3 Credits)

This course provides an in-depth examination of the role of a victim in the criminal justice process. Particular emphasis will be placed on the Victim's Rights Movement and ensuing legislation.

CJU 370 Court Processing (3 Credits)

This course provides an overview of the court system from its inception to present day operations. Key personnel, including the judge, prosecutor, defense attorney, victims, and witnesses and their roles will be covered. Courtroom proceedings, court rulings, and rules of evidence are addressed.

CJU 410 Constitutional Law (3 Credits)

This course provides an in-depth examination of constitutional law as it relates to the criminal justice system with particular emphasis on the Bill of Rights. A historic overview of the creation of the U.S. Constitution, the formation of the American legal system, and the three branches of government are covered.

CJU 420 Interview Techniques (3 Credits)

This course provides students with the skills necessary to ethically interview suspects, witnesses, and victims. Students acquire the skills to obtain reliable information through psychological and physiological methods.

CJU 431 Ethics in Criminal Justice II (3 Credits)

Ethical dilemmas, decisions and conflicts of interest as they occur in law enforcement agencies, correctional institutions, and the court system are examined. Particular emphasis is placed on the concepts of due process, fundamental fairness and the implementation of models for ethical decision making.

CJU 435 White Collar Crime (3 Credits)

This course examines crime committed by corporations as well as by individuals in white-collar occupations. The course addresses how such crimes are socially defined, who commits them, who is victimized by them, which social contexts promote them, and how society and the criminal justice system respond to them.

CJU 491 Senior Seminar (3 Credits)

Senior Seminar serves as the culmination of acquired knowledge and skills for a criminal justice major. The purpose of the course is to integrate all prior learning as students actively engage professional preparation for employment in the criminal justice system.

CJU 493 Research Methods (3 Credits)

This course provides the Criminal Justice student an opportunity to develop skills for conducting professional research. Students become familiar with research terminology, methodology, and ethics.