

Administration Of Justice

AJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 110

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or Eligibility for English 101

This course introduces students to the characteristics of the criminal justice system in the United States. Focus is placed on examining crime measurement, theoretical explanations of crime, responses to crime, components of the system, and current challenges to the system. The course examines the evolution of the principles and approaches utilized by the justice system and the evolving forces which have shaped those principles and approaches. Although justice structure and process is examined in a cross cultural context, emphasis is placed on the U.S. justice system, particularly the structure and function of U.S. law enforcement, courts, and corrections. Students are introduced to the origins and development of criminal law, legal process, and sentencing and incarceration policies. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 102 Criminal Procedures

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 122

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or Eligibility for ENGL 101

This course provides an examination and analysis of due process in criminal proceedings from pre-arrest through trial and appeal utilizing statutory law and state and constitutional law precedents. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 103 Concepts of Criminal Law

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 120

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or Eligibility for ENGL 101

This course offers an analysis of the doctrines of criminal liability in the United States and the classification of crimes against persons, property, morals, and public welfare. Special emphasis is placed on the classification of crime, the general elements of crime, the definitions of common and statutory law, and the nature of acceptable evidence. This course utilizes case law and case studies to introduce students to criminal law. The completion of this course offers a foundation upon which upper-division criminal justice course will build. The course will also include some limited discussion of prosecution and defense decision making, criminal culpability, and defenses to crimes. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 104 Legal Aspects of Evidence

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 124

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 or eligibility for English 101

This course examines categories of evidence and legal rules governing its admission and exclusion in the criminal process. Origin, development, philosophy and constitutional basis of evidence; constitutional and procedural considerations affecting arrest; search and seizure, kinds and degrees of evidence and rules governing admissibility; and judicial decisions interpreting individual rights and case studies. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 105 Community Relations

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer to UC, CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 160

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or Eligibility for ENGL 101

This course examines the complex, dynamic relationship between communities and the justice system in addressing crime and conflict with an emphasis on the challenges and prospects of administering justice within a diverse multicultural population. Topics covered may include crime prevention, restorative justice, conflict resolution, and ethics. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 111 Criminal Investigation

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 140

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or eligibility for ENGL 101

This course addresses the techniques, procedures, and ethical issues in the investigation of crime, including organization of the investigative process, crime scene searches, interviewing and interrogating, surveillance, source of information, utility of evidence, scientific analysis of evidence and the role of the investigator in the trial process. (Fall) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 120 Juvenile Law and Procedures

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 220

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or Eligibility for ENGL 101

This course is an examination of the origin, development, and organization of the Juvenile Justice System as it evolved in the American Justice System. The course explores the theories that focuses on Juvenile Law, courts and processes, and the constitutional protections extended to juveniles administered in the American Justice System. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 130 Introduction to Corrections

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 200

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or Eligibility for ENGL 101

This course provides a critical analysis of punishment, the various types of punishment, alternatives to punishment, and the impact of punishment on the Criminal Justice System. A Critical examination of the types of Correctional institutions and the clients housed in each institution. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 150 Introduction to Forensics

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

C-ID Course Number: AJ 150

Advisories: ENGL 514 - Writing Skills 4 ; or eligibility for ENGL 101

This course provides an introduction to the role of forensics in criminal investigations. It examines the methods utilized in the forensic analysis of crime scenes, pattern evidence, instruments, firearms, questioned documents and controlled substances. (Fall, Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 189 Independent Projects

1.0 - 3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: Transfer CSU

Courses for students capable of independent work who demonstrate the need or desire for additional study beyond the regular curriculum. Enrollment allows students to pursue activities such as directed field experience, re-search, or development of skills and competencies under faculty advisement and supervision. Independent projects may be earned in most disciplines. Students wishing to enroll in Independent Projects should contact the appropriate instructor identified in the class schedule. If the project proposed is acceptable to that instructor, a contract will be developed. All contracts for these classes must be completed and submitted to the Records Office no later than the end of the second week of the semester. Students may enroll for any combination (unit value) of Independent Projects 189 and/or 389 for a total of four semesters in a specific discipline. Units are awarded depending upon satisfactory performance and the amount of time committed by the student to the course. Allowable units vary according to discipline, and are based on the following formula: 1 unit - 48 hours per semester 2 units - 96 hours per semester 3 units - 144 hours per semester (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)

AJ 315 Introduction to Criminology

3.0 units

Acceptable for credit: D - Credit - Degree Applicable

Theories of the causes of criminal behavior, focusing on the person and the group; criminal behavior systems; the police behavioral response to criminal activity and its nature and causes. (Spring) (Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass)