

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix & Number: SLGY 211/ CJUS 211

Credit hours: 3

Course Title: Criminology

Course Prerequisites: None

Textbook(s): Siegel. *Criminology: The Core*. Wadsworth Publishing.

Course Description: Study of the theoretical perspectives used to explain the causation, prevalence, and societal impacts of crime.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the student will:

- A. recognize the complicated nature of criminal behavior and theoretical models used to describe and to explain it;
- B. identify the complex relationships of intra-personal variables and the social context in the causation of crime, through the evolution of the most current theories and perspectives regarding the psycho-social and biological underpinnings of criminal behavior;
- C. describe a working model of crime, as it relates to the criminal mindset and value system, as well as theoretical understanding of criminology.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

1. evaluate explanations of criminality in different groups of offenders (e.g., juveniles, women, the elderly) or in particular types of offending (e.g., violent, sexual, serial, terrorist, fraud and con games, etc. (a), (b));
2. formulate a working model of crime, as it relates to the criminal mindset and value system, as well as theoretical understanding of criminology (a), (b), (c);
3. compare crime from a theoretical frame of reference (a), (b);
4. outline the impact of crime on victims and potential victims of crime throughout the various societal strata (a), (b), (c).

Course Requirements: The following are intended to help the learner meet the stated learning outcomes of the course: regular and prompt class attendance reflected in class roll; read assigned text and outside material; successful completion of administered examinations; demonstration of an understanding of the subject matter; an understanding of which law or laws to use under different circumstances; active participation in classroom or online discussions.

Course Grading Scale:

- A 90-100%
- B 80-89%
- C 70-79%
- D 60-69%
- F 59% or below

Course Fees: None

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