

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix & Number: CJUS 293

Credit Hours: 3

Course Title: Ethics in Criminal Justice

Course Prerequisites: None

Textbook: Pollock. *Ethical Dilemmas and Decisions in Criminal Justice*. 11th Edition.

Course Description: This course describes the basic aspects of expected, ethical, and professional conduct within the criminal justice system which applies to all members of the law enforcement, corrections and the judiciary community. Central topics of discussion include, but are not limited to, morality, ethics and human behavior, police role in discretion, corruption, and misconduct in society, discretion and dilemmas in the legal profession, and the ethics of punishment and misconduct in corrections, and finally, making ethical choices.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this course, the student will:

- A. recognize ethical and non-ethical behavior of police officers, corrections officers and legal practitioners;
- B. recognize the role of discretionary power among justice professionals;
- C. recognize the impact on society when ethical misconduct and corruption are present.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will or will be able to:
(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

- 1. explain how proper adherence to ethical practices affect the profession; (A)
- 2. explain how discretion and proper behavior are used in day to day operations; (B)
- 3. explain how society views the improper behavior of correctional officers in charge of prisoners. (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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