

**Bossier Parish Community College**  
**Master Syllabus**

**Course Prefix and Number:** CJUS 201

**Credit hours:** 3

**Course Title:** Criminal Law

**Course Prerequisites:** None

**Textbook(s):** Drew, Harmon and Jean Drew. *True Blue Drew Book*. [www.drewlawbooks.com](http://www.drewlawbooks.com). (For the exact textbook requirement, please refer to your instructor's course information syllabus.)

**Course Description:** Fundamentals and principles of common law and its relation to the Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure, Louisiana Criminal Code, and other elements of laws as they are related to law enforcement. Legal defenses and burden of proof.

**Learning Outcomes:**

At the end of the course, the student will:

- A. recognize what law is intended to do;
- B. identify the components of criminal law;
- C. identify the legal defenses used in matters affecting law;
- D. associate the major elements of several laws typically used; confronting law enforcement officers arrest knowledge.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

1. identify and explain the essential elements of proof of criminality (A, B, C)
2. identify and describe the basic criminal defenses (A, B, C)
3. identify and compare basic crimes against persons (D)
4. identify and compare basic crimes against property (D)
5. identify and compare basic sexually related crimes (D)
6. outline the importance of understanding the law for police (A, B, C, D)

**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.

*In addition to requirements stated herein, each instructor will communicate additional requirements unique to his/her section via the instructor's section syllabus.*

**Course Grading Scale:**

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

**Attendance Policy:** The college attendance policy is available at  
[http://www\\_bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html](http://www_bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html)

**Course Fees:** None

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