

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix and Number: CJUS 205

Credit hours: 3

Course Title: Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice

Course Prerequisites: None

Textbook(s): None

Course Description: This course covers rights and responsibilities of law enforcement personnel as well as citizens. Professional, ethical, and legal issues encountered in criminal justice are addressed. New trends, laws, technology, court decision, and current police practices will be covered by the instructor.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the student will:

- A. recognize contemporary issues in Criminal Justice;
- B. describe the various motivations for deviant behavior;
- C. identify issues involving police use of violence;
- D. identify contemporary issues in criminal punishment;
- E. recognize the influence of the media in modern day policing.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

- 1. define the levels of crime and criminals in America; (A)
- 2. outline the contemporary critical issues in Criminal Justice; (A) (D)
- 3. recognize the terrorism phenomenon in America; (B)
- 4. analyze criminal profiling in America; (C)
- 5. discuss issues of domestic violence; (A)
- 6. examine juvenile justice problems and solutions; (D)
- 7. summarize the war on drugs in our country; (A) (E)
- 8. analyze sentencing guidelines in America; (D)
- 9. differentiate between probation, parole, and rehabilitation efforts; (B)

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>

Course Fees: None

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