

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE (AJ)

AJ 101

Introduction to the Administration of Justice

3 Units (AA/AS; Citrus D1; CSU; UC; IGETC 4H; CSUGE D8)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 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 these 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. police, courts, and corrections. Students are introduced to the origins and development of criminal law, legal process, and sentencing and incarceration policies.

AJ 102

Concepts of Criminal Law

3 Units (AA/AS; Citrus D1; CSU; UC; IGETC 4H; CSUGE D8)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

The philosophy and historical development of law, including the provisions of the U.S. Constitution. The concepts and definitions necessary to relate court decisions to statutes including those specific to correctional institutions.

AJ 103

Legal Aspects of Evidence

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

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; judicial decisions interpreting individual rights and case studies.

AJ 105

Criminal Investigation

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

Fundamentals of investigation and the techniques of crime scene recording and search. The collection and preservation of physical evidence, modus operandi processes, sources of information, interview and interrogation, follow-up, and case preparation.

AJ 106

Patrol Procedures

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

This course is a study of the responsibility, techniques, and methods of police patrol. This includes the areas of patrol distribution, selective enforcement, pull-over and approach methods, emergency pursuit driving, search of suspects and buildings, field interrogations, and procedures in handling "police-called-for" services.

AJ 108

Juvenile Procedures

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: 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 focus on Juvenile Law, courts and processes, and the constitutional protections extended to juveniles administered in the American Justice System.

AJ 109

Criminal Court Process

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: 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 constitutional law precedents.

AJ 111

Narcotics and Vice Control

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

History, identification, and effects of narcotics. Current narcotic and vice problems. Special emphasis on laws affecting the control of narcotics and vice.

AJ 112

Community and the Justice System

3 Units (AA/AS; Citrus D1; CSU; UC)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: 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 may include the consensus and conflicting values in culture, religion, and law.

AJ 121

Death Investigation

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Prerequisite(s): AJ 101.

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

A multimedia examination of the medico-legal investigation of death. Focuses on natural and accidental deaths, suicides, and homicides. Special attention to deaths by gunshot wounds, burns, sharp force injury, blunt force trauma, and multi-casualty incidents.

AJ 130

Introduction to Probation and Parole

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

A survey of the role of probation and parole in today's criminal justice system. Career opportunities available in probation and parole work will be included.

AJ 131

Introduction to Corrections

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL 101.

This course provides a history and critical analysis of punishment, the various types of punishment, alternatives to punishment, and the impact of punishment on the Criminal Justice System, corrections, a critical examination of the types of correctional institutions and the clients housed in each institution, and an examination of contemporary correctional issues.

AJ 135

Control and Supervision in Corrections

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL C1000.

Supervision of inmates in the local, state, and federal correctional institutions. Emphasis on the role of the offender and the correctional worker on a continuum from institutional living through crisis situations. Included are inmate subculture, violence and effects of crowding along with coping techniques for correctional officers. Causes and effects of abusive tactics.

AJ 136

Correctional Interviewing and Counseling

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL C1000.

The techniques in counseling and interviewing available to practitioners in corrections. The student will learn the use of appropriate techniques and theories in confidence building which may be used by the correctional employee in client interviews and counseling.

AJ 137

Legal Aspects of Corrections

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: ENGL C1000.

The legal framework, concepts, and precedents that guide correctional practice. Course material will broaden the individual's perspective of the corrections environment, the civil rights of prisoners, and responsibilities and liabilities of corrections officials.

AJ 150

Introduction to Forensics

3 Units (AA/AS; CSU)

54 lecture hours

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Strongly recommended: 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.