CJ 121: Criminal Evidence

Credits 5

Quarter Offered Winter

Rules of criminal evidence regulating the burden of proof, admissibility, relevancy, materiality, weight, and sufficiency of evidence in criminal legal proceedings. This class may include students from multiple sections.

Course Outcomes

Understand and explain the history of evidence law and the legal process.

Be able to discuss the sources of the individual rights including the US Constitution and Bill of Rights.

Be able to discuss the implications of the Bill of Rights regarding evidence.

Be familiar with the concept of judicial review.

Be knowledgeable about the history of the rules of evidence.

Identify the federal sources of rules of evidence.

Be able to discuss the role of the Constitution, Supreme Court, and the Federal Courts in evidence law.

Be familiar with the Uniform Rules of Evidence and the Federal Rules of Evidence.

Understand the role of state constitutions, rules of evidence, and case law as they relate to evidence.

Understand the content and quality of good evidence.

Be able to distinguish between the concepts of relevancy, materiality, and inadmissibility in evidence.