

CJ& 105 : Introduction to Corrections

Credits 5

Quarter Offered Spring

Examines institutional and community correction applications, focusing on correctional facility operations, probation, parole, and intermediate sanctions within the American criminal justice system. This class may include students from multiple sections. (Elective)

Course Outcomes

Provide the student with a clear understanding of the correctional system, as it exists today and the role of corrections as a critical element of the criminal justice system.

Assist the student in understanding the entire correctional system: jails and minimum, medium, maximum and super maximum prison facilities, halfway houses and other types of correctional facilities and programs.

Provide the student with an understanding of the goals of punishment versus rehabilitation, incarceration versus non-incarceration sentencing structures, and diversionary programs currently in use in many state correctional systems.

Provide the student with the cornerstone knowledge that will maximize criminal justice learning in future courses of study in this specific field.

Provide the student with the knowledge that will allow them to understand the theories currently in use regarding corrections and how these theories and practices have changed and will continue to change over time.