



CRJ 219: Police and Society

Emphasizing the concept that each human being is unique, this course is an in-depth study of the police role in the community. Police-initiated programs directed toward improving intergroup relations are examined and discussed along with selected issues confronting the police and the public they serve. Maximizing the degree of police/community cooperation and interaction is the primary objective. Prerequisite: SOC 101. Three lecture hours per week. Gen. Ed. Competencies Met: Multicultural and Social Perspectives.

Course Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify and consider various perspectives and positions related to law and justice. 2. Select, evaluate, incorporate, and document research information effectively. 3. Articulate and present ideas in a clear, organized manner that demonstrates critical analysis skills. 4. Make connections between human behaviors and consequences. 5. Discuss the pervasive realities of discrimination and stereotype due to race, gender, religion, ethnicity, social class, disability, and sexual orientation. 6. Explain the principles of group behavior and social organizations, how power is wielded in society, and the responsibilities and rights of the human society. Students will develop an understanding of: 1. Differing points of view on the same issue 2. The underlying concepts of justice and fairness 3. The standards for judging human behavior 4. The importance of considering the ramifications of decisions and incorporate and document research information effectively. • Students will be able to articulate and present ideas in a clear, organized manner that demonstrates critical analysis skills. • Students will be able to make connections between human behaviors and consequences. • Students will be able to discuss the pervasive realities of discrimination and stereotype due to race, gender, religion, ethnicity, social class, disability, and sexual orientation. • Students will be able to explain the principles of group behavior and social organizations, how power is wielded in society, and the responsibilities and rights of the human society. Students will develop an understanding of: • Differing points of view on the same issue. • The underlying concepts of justice and fairness. • The standards for judging human behavior. • The importance of considering the ramifications of decisions.

Credits: 3

Program: Criminal Justice