



COMMON COURSE OUTLINE: Course discipline/number/title: CRJU 2320: Ethics in Criminal Justice

A. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

1. Credits: 3
2. Hours/Week: 3
3. Prerequisites (Course discipline/number): None
4. Co-requisites (Course discipline/number): None
5. MnTC Goals (if any): NA

Criminal Justice Ethics includes definitions, perceptions, concerns, and the history of deviance within the field of Criminal Justice as an occupation. The working environment is discussed. The ideology and culture of corrections and the motive and justification for breaking normative bonds are covered. Brutality, abuse of authority, prejudice, and discrimination are discussed. Drug-related deviance, varieties of correctional deviance, internal and external controls influencing deviance and corruption, and prospects for controlling deviance are also included.

B. DATE LAST REVISED (Month, year): December 2008

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS:

1. Morality, Ethics, and Human Behavior
2. Determining Moral Behavior
3. Developing Moral and Ethical Behavior
4. Justice and the Law
5. Ethics and Corrections
6. Ethics and the Courts
7. The Ethics of Punishment and Correction
8. Policy, Policy Makers, and Management Issues
9. Professionalism, Pride, and Ethics for Real People

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (GENERAL): The student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of ethical behavior.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of ethics in criminal justice.
3. Demonstrate the importance of ethics in a profession.
4. Demonstrate the ability to make an ethical decision in a variety of situations.

E. LEARNING OUTCOMES (MNTC):

F. METHODS FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENT LEARNING:

1. Exams
2. Practical Exercises

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION (if any): None