CRJU 3352: Juvenile Justice

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: CRJU 1101 or SOCI 1101

This course focuses on the juvenile justice system including the processing of juvenile offenders from the delinquent act through disposition and discharge. The nature and extent of juvenile delinquency and theories of delinquency are also addressed. Emphasis is placed on the historical purpose of the juvenile court, the effects of the due process revolution on the juvenile justice system, and current research and trends related to juvenile delinquency and justice.

CRJU 3355: Race, Crime, and Justice

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: CRJU 1101 or SOCI 1101

This course provides an in-depth examination into racial and ethnic issues related to crime and justice in America. The course explores how racial stratification and inequalities influence crime and victimization and official responses to crime. Topic areas may include disparities in criminal justice enforcement, minority representation in the criminal justice system, and strategies for addressing discrimination across criminal justice policies and practices.

CRJU 3365: Profile of the Serial Offender

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: CRJU 1101 or SOCI 1101

This course provides an in-depth examination of repeat, violent offenders. Topic areas include offender characteristics, victim traits and characteristics, offender identification and investigative strategies, and criminal justice policies that are focused on serial offending. Emphasis is placed on the examination of theories and research that explain how serial offenders evolve across their life-course from childhood to adulthood.