CRJU 3320: Criminal Investigation

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: CRJU 1101

This course examines the historical, theoretical, and technological aspects of the investigation of crime. Topic areas include crime scene examinations, the collection and preservation of evidence, the basic legal principles and procedures governing the use of evidence in court proceedings, forensic and behavioral sciences, interviews and interrogations, and the use of technology by law enforcement agencies.

CRJU 3332: Corrections

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: CRJU 1101

This course includes a historical and philosophical overview of the American correctional system. Emphasis is placed on the types, goals, and purposes of community-based and institutional corrections, the roles and responsibilities of correctional agencies and actors, and offender characteristics and legal rights. This course also explores correctional policies and their effectiveness to reduce crime and recidivism such as correctional rehabilitation, habitual offender laws, and the death penalty among others.

CRJU 3340: Legal Analysis

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: CRJU 1101

This course involves students in the process of reasoning objectively and arguing persuasively within a socio-legal framework. Set against a background of formal and informal logic that guides reasoning in general, the course is primarily concerned with the reasoning underlying the construction of legal arguments from judicial, legislative, and scholarly points of view. Theoretical analysis is illustrated by investigating and writing about the law, with an emphasis on topics related to crime.