

I. COURSE INFORMATION

- A. Criminal Justice 100 Introduction to Criminal Justice
- B. 3 credit hours
- C. Gaines, L. K., & R. L. Miller. *Criminal Justice in Action*. 9th ed. California: Cengage, 2017
- D. Prerequisites: None
- E. KRSN: CRJ 1010 Introduction to Criminal Justice

The learning outcomes and competencies detailed in this course outline or syllabus meet or exceed the learning outcomes and competencies specified by the Kansas Core Outcomes Groups project for this course as approved by the Kansas Board of Regents.

II. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an introduction to the historical development and the internal and external issues of the various components of the criminal justice system including police, corrections and the courts. The student will illustrate how these interrelated components result in the administration of justice today.

III. LEARNING OUTCOMES

- A. Identify the historical, theoretical, and philosophical developments in criminal justice
- B. Discuss the steps in the criminal justice process
- C. Distinguish the difference between the goals and philosophies of the due process and the crime control models of criminal justice
- D. Identify the ethical responsibilities and constitutional duties of the criminal justice professional
- E. Summarize how law enforcement, courts, and corrections operate and interact
- F. Recognize the importance of empirical data in criminal justice policy

IV. MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- A. Criminal justice system
- B. The police and law enforcement
- C. Criminal courts
- D. Corrections
- E. Special issues

V. ASSIGNMENTS (may include but are not limited to)

- A. Reading assignments
- B. Writing assignments
- C. Discussions
- D. Quizzes and exams

VI. EVALUATION METHODS (may include but are not limited to)

- A. Attendance and participation
- B. Assignments
- C. Exams