CRJU – Criminal Justice

CRJU 1010 - Introduction to Criminal Justice
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Introduces the development and organization of the criminal justice system in the United States. Topics include the American criminal justice system; constitutional limitations; organization of enforcement, adjudication, and corrections; and career opportunities and requirements.

CRJU 1021 - Private Security
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Provides an orientation to the development, philosophy, responsibility, and function of the private security industry. A historical and philosophical perspective of private security will help students better understand the present stage of private security, its principles, its legal authority and its effect on society in general. Topics include private security: an overview; basic security goals and responsibilities; when prevention fails; and security systems at work; putting it all together.

CRJU 1030 - Corrections
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Provides an analysis of all phases of the American correctional system and practices, including its history, procedures, and objectives. Topics include history and evolution of correctional facilities; legal and administrative problems; institutional facilities and procedures; probation, parole, and prerelease programs; alternative sentencing; rehabilitation; community involvement; and staffing.

CRJU 1040 - Principles of Law Enforcement
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Examines the principles of the organization, administration, and duties of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. Topics include history and philosophy of law enforcement; evaluation of administrative practices; problems facing American law enforcement agencies; emerging concepts, professionalism, and community crime prevention programs.

CRJU 1043 - Probation and Parole
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Covers the history of both juvenile and adult probation as well as the history of parole. The probation and parole systems will be covered generally with a special emphasis on the Georgia systems and related laws. Topics include history and philosophy of probation and parole; function of the probation and parole systems; Georgia law related to probation and parole; characteristics and roles of probation and parole officers; and special issues and programs of probation and parole.

CRJU 1062 - Methods of Criminal Investigation
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Presents the fundamentals of criminal investigation. The duties and responsibilities of the investigator both in field and in the courtroom are highlighted. Emphasis is placed on techniques commonly utilized by investigative personnel as well as the procedures used for investigating various crimes.

CRJU 1063 - Crime Scene Processing
3.000 Credits 5.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Presents students with practical exercises dealing with investigating crime scenes and gathering various forms of physical evidence. Emphasis is placed on crime scene assessment, search, fingerprinting, and evidence collection. Topics include crime scene management, evidence characteristics, identification, documentation and collection as well as techniques for developing and lifting latent fingerprints.

CRJU 1065 - Community-Oriented Policing
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Presents the fundamentals for the community-oriented policing philosophy, including the comparison of traditional and community policing philosophies; law enforcement and community relationships; importance of political and public support and involvement; attitudinal changes involving the roles of police management, supervisors and line personnel; creation of partnerships with community organizations, businesses, private security, other governmental agencies, and special interest groups; and police problem-solving methodologies. Topics include foundations of community-oriented policing, partnerships and problem-solving in community-oriented policing, and community-oriented policing projects and programs.

CRJU 1068 - Criminal Law for Criminal Justice
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Introduces criminal law in the United States, but emphasizes the current specific Status of Georgia criminal law. The course will focus on the most current statutory contents of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) with primary emphasis on the criminal and traffic codes. Topics include historic development of criminal law in the United States; statutory law, Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.) Title 16 - Crimes and Offenses; statutory law, Georgia Code (O.C.G.A.) Title 40 - Motor Vehicle and Traffic Offenses; and Supreme Court rulings that apply to criminal law.

CRJU 1072 - Introduction to Forensic Science
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Covers the origin, history and role of forensic science in the investigative process. Philosophical, rational and practical framework that supports a case investigation will be outlined. The unifying principles of forensic science, the rooting of forensic science in the pure sciences, and the unique ways in which a forensic scientist must think will also be discussed. The special areas of forensic science will be explored.

CRJU 1075 - Report Writing
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Explains and demonstrates the effectiveness of the entire criminal investigation process by the quality of notes reports, and accurate documentation. An examination of what goes into the preparation, content, elements, mechanics, and format of documenting the criminal investigation process. Topics include Field notes, initial information, observations, evidence, victims, witnesses, property, neighborhood canvass, crime scene, laboratory analysis and results, investigative follow-up, suspect statements, and the characteristics essential to quality report writing.
CRJU 1400 - Ethics and Cultural Perspectives for Criminal Justice
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Provides an exploration of ethics and cultural perspectives in criminal justice. In presenting ethics, both the individual perspective and the organizational standpoint will be examined. Four areas of ethical decision making opportunities are studied including: law enforcement ethics; correctional ethics; legal profession ethics; and policymaking ethics. The presentation of cultural perspectives is designed to aid law enforcement officers to better understand and communicate with members of other cultures with whom they come in contact in the line of duty. Topics include defining and applying terms related to intercultural attitudes, role-play activities related to intercultural understanding, developing interpersonal/intercultural communication competence, and development of personal intercultural growth plan.

CRJU 2020 - Constitutional Law for Criminal Justice
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Emphasizes those provisions of the Bill of Rights which pertain to criminal justice. Topics include characteristics and powers of the three branches of government; principles governing the operation of the U.S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Fourteenth Amendment.

CRJU 2050 - Criminal Procedure
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Introduces the procedural law of the criminal justice system which governs the series of proceedings through which government enforces substantive criminal law. The course offers an emphasis on the laws of arrest and search and seizure, the rules of evidence, right to counsel, and the rights and duties of both citizens and officers. The course covers in depth appropriate case law and court rulings that dictate criminal procedure on the State and Federal Level.

CRJU 2060 - Criminology
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Introduces the nature, extent, and factors related to criminal behavior, and the etiology of criminal offenses and offenders. Topics include sociological, psychological, and biological causes of crime; effectiveness of theories in explaining crime; theory integration; and application of theory to selected issues.

CRJU 2070 - Juvenile Justice
3.000 Credits 3.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status
Analyzes the nature, extent, and causes of juvenile delinquency, and examines processes in the field of juvenile justice. Topics include survey of juvenile law, comparative analysis of adult and juvenile justice systems, and prevention and treatment of juvenile delinquency.

CRJU 2090 - Criminal Justice Practicum
3.000 Credits 9.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status and Advisor Approval
Provides experiences necessary for further professional development and exposure to related agencies in the criminal justice field. The student will pursue a professional research project supervised by the instructor. Topics include criminal justice theory applications.

CRJU 2100 - Criminal Justice Externship
3.000 Credits 9.000 Contact Hours
Prerequisites: Regular Status and Advisor Approval
Provides experiences necessary for further professional development and exposure to related agencies in the criminal justice field. The student will pursue an externship in a related agency supervised by the instructor. Topics include criminal justice theory applications.