

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CRJ)

CRJ-5025 Cyber Security in the Information Age (3 semester hours)

This course provides individuals involved in homeland security a broad overview of homeland security technology, information systems, inspections and surveillance technology, communications, knowledge management and information security. The course focuses on technology as a tool to support homeland security personnel regardless of functional specialty. The methodology used in the course will frame technology in terms of its contribution to deterrence; preemption; prevention; protection; response after an attack.

CRJ-5055 Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (3 semester hours)

The purpose of this course is to provide participants with an understanding of the risks and hazards associated with planned events as well as natural and man-made disasters. The importance of an effective emergency response plan will be stressed and specific focus will be given to the recognition, planning, mitigation, response, and recovery from the risks from these types of events.

CRJ-5100 Forensic Genealogy and the Law (3 semester hours)

Forensic Genealogy and the Law is about how the evolving science of forensic genetic genealogy is being used by law enforcement investigators to identify the offenders of violent crimes. The course will explore the history of how this science developed into use by the criminal justice system. Research into actual case studies will be required. Legal concerns in this emerging investigative technique will also be addressed.

CRJ-5150 Crime Causation Theory (3 semester hours)

Examines classical theories and theories that are influencing contemporary criminal justice policies and research. Emphasis is placed on the fundamental arguments put forth by the various theories, the historical context from which these theories emerged, theory evaluation, applicability within criminal justice agencies, and policy implications that have or can be derived regarding how justice is practiced.

CRJ-5170 Criminal Justice Administration and Leadership (3 semester hours)

Focuses on leadership, management, and strategic planning within criminal justice related organizations. Organizational and administration theories will be examined and applied to the practice of criminal and juvenile justice to explain the patterned disparity between goals and practices. Additionally, contemporary approaches to understanding justice organizations and the findings from studies will be examined.

CRJ-5180 Seminar in Criminal Justice (3 semester hours)

This graduate level course is designed to expand on a general introduction to the criminal justice system while providing a critical look at justice in the 21st Century. The course will provide an overview of justice in America, the system's reaction to crime, proactive strategic planning possibilities, and an overview of the solutions to the problems facing the criminal justice system. Included will be examination of the policies and practices of formal criminal justice institutions (police, courts, corrections), as well as efforts undertaken by the private sector.

CRJ-5190 Ethics and Diversity in Criminal Justice (3 semester hours)

Analyzes ethical considerations within decision-making facing the criminal justice practitioner, with special focus on historical and contemporary perspectives on how race, ethnicity, gender, and other historically disadvantaged groups interact with the criminal justice system, along with the challenges of addressing justice in multicultural communities.

CRJ-5200 Applied Data Analysis (3 semester hours)

This course addresses methods of scientific inquiry applied to contemporary criminal justice issues. Students will be engaged in the formulation of research questions, research design, observation, measurement, and introduction to social statistics and applications to criminal justice data analysis. Students should develop an understanding of the research process, the language of research, the analytic tools and data sources, and the scientific method of evaluating scholarly research articles. Students will also learn to critique research and present data in agency reports, which will prepare them for professional analysis opportunities.

CRJ-5250 Problem Solving - Planning, Analysis, and Assessment (3 semester hours)

Design focuses on developing and enhancing critical-thinking skills related to communication, institutional change, and creative solutions related to proactive initiatives.

CRJ-5300 Problem-Solving Courts in an Adversarial System (3 semester hours)

The graduate course examines the differences between problem-solving courts and traditional courts with a focus on specific offenses or the type of person committing criminal offenses. Students will explore how interdisciplinary teams, led by judges or court service authorities, work collaboratively to achieve goals in case management and therapeutic jurisprudence to reduce criminal offending.

CRJ-5810-9 Selected Topics in Criminal Justice (Variable semester hours)

This course will address a specific area of study in Criminal Justice not already covered by other course offerings. Prerequisites vary by topic.

CRJ-5940 High Impact Professional Experience (3 semester hours)

The purpose of this course is to enable Aurora University students to apply course concepts in a real world experience. This experience is designed to expand on the learning experience and to integrate and reinforce skills and concepts learned in the classroom. The High Impact Professional Experience provides practical experience in a structured criminal justice context.

Grading Type: Credit/No Credit

CRJ-6810-9 Selected Topics in Criminal Justice (Variable semester hours)

This course will address a specific area of study in Criminal Justice not already covered by other course offerings. Prerequisites vary by topic.