

Common Course Outline
CRJU 106
Criminal Justice Management
3 Credits

Community College of Baltimore County

Description

CRJU 106 – 3 credits - Criminal Justice Management provides an overview of the agencies that comprise the criminal justice system. Topics discussed include organizational structures, administrative procedures, and theories related to the practice of criminal justice management.

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Prerequisites: ACLT 052 or ACLT 053

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. describe the main components that comprise the criminal justice system;
2. distinguish between the goals of the agencies that constitute the criminal justice system;
3. analyze both early and contemporary administrative practices;
4. compare the levels and functions of management for each criminal justice agency;
5. examine the legal authority of each component of the criminal justice system;
6. relate the concepts of strategic planning to problem solving in criminal justice;
7. analyze the effects of decision making by one agency on other criminal justice components;
8. explain the importance of leadership in criminal justice agencies;
9. describe the rights and legal responsibilities of employers and employees in the various criminal justice agencies; and
10. discuss the challenges of the future for criminal justice in America.

Major Topics

- I. The study and scope of justice administration
 - a. Overview of the system
 - b. Legal and historical background
 - c. Public versus private administration/Policy making
- II. Organization and administration: principles and practices
 - a. Organizational theory and function
 - b. Communication within organizations
 - c. Leadership theories and skills
 - d. Motivating employees

- III. Evolution of justice administration
 - a. Professional policing
 - b. Development of court administration
 - c. Development of corrections administration
 - d. Development of probation and parole
- IV. Police organization and operation
 - a. Police agencies and organizations
 - b. Policies, procedures, rules and regulations
 - c. Influence of research
 - d. Community-oriented policing and problem solving
- V. Police personnel roles and functions
 - a. Police executives
 - b. Mid-level managers
 - c. First-line supervisors
 - d. Distribution and deployment of patrol forces
- VI. Court organization and operation
 - a. Courts as organizations
 - b. Policy making
 - c. Citizens and the courts
- VII. Court personnel, issues and practices
 - a. Judicial administration
 - b. Court administration reform
 - c. Trial delay and scheduling
 - d. Managing cases
- VIII. Corrections organizations and operation
 - a. Correctional organizations
 - b. Prisons and jails
 - c. Issues related to correctional institutions
 - d. Contemporary challenges
 - e. Correctional officers
- IX. Rights and legal responsibilities
 - a. Employee relationships
 - b. Constitutional rights of employees
 - c. Civil liability in justice administration
- X. Future of criminal justice in America

Course Requirements

Students are required to utilize academically appropriate sources.

Grading/Exams: Grading procedures will be determined by the individual faculty member but will include the following:

1. At two (2) testing instruments to include examinations and/or tests.
2. Written assignments: The individual faculty member will determine specific number of written assignments; minimum of one such assignment such as:
 - Summaries of current events and their relation to course material;

-Research project (topics may include any subject related to the course); or

Other Course Information

This course is an elective in the Criminal Justice Studies program.

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