

# CJC -113 Juvenile Justice

## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisites: There are no prerequisites.

Corequisites: None

Course description. This course covers the juvenile justice system and related juvenile issues. Topics include an overview of the juvenile justice system, treatment and prevention programs, special areas and laws unique to juveniles, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to identify/discuss juvenile court structure/procedures, function and jurisdiction of juvenile agencies, processing/detention of juveniles, and case disposition.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completing requirements for this course, the student will be able to:

1. Identify and describe the structure of the juvenile justice system.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the legal history and case law that impact the Juvenile Justice System.
3. Identify procedural steps in the disposition of a juvenile case.
4. Discuss and describe delinquency prevention and community intervention programs.
5. Identify and explain at least two theories of delinquency.

## OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION:

- I. An Overview of Juvenile Justice in the United States
  - A. The Juvenile Justice System
  - B. Types of Juvenile Offenders
- II. The Legal Rights of Juveniles
  - A. Hands-off Doctrine
  - B. Landmark Cases in Juvenile Justice
- III. The History of Juvenile Justice and Juvenile Courts
- IV. Theories of Delinquency
  - A. Classical Theories
  - B. Biological Theories
  - C. Psychological Theories
  - D. Sociological Theories
- V. The Juvenile Justice Process
  - i. Juvenile vs. Adulthood
  - ii. Custody
  - iii. Referrals

- iv. Intake
- v. Adjudicatory Proceedings
- vi. Juvenile Corrections

**REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIAL:**

The instructor will determine the textbook and other instructional material.