



COURSE SYLLABUS

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COURSE: CJC 131 CRIMINAL LAW

HOURS: Lecture: 3 Lab/Shop: 0 Work Exp/Clinical: 0 Credits: 3

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course covers the history/evolution/principles and contemporary applications of criminal law. Topics include sources of substantive law, classification of crimes, parties to crime, elements of crimes, matters of criminal responsibility, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to discuss the sources of law and identify, interpret, and apply the appropriate statutes/elements.

PREREQUISITE(S): None

COREQUISITE(S): None

TEXTBOOK(S) & OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Open Educational Resources (OER) are listed in the course Moodle.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

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

1. Define the concepts of law, crime and jurisdiction.
2. Distinguish between misdemeanor and felony crime classifications.
3. Outline the main aspects of the Structured Sentencing Act of 1994.
4. Explain the difference between common and statutory law.
5. Explain the difference between civil and criminal acts.
6. Relate the concepts of morality and law.
7. Explain the concepts of intent, proximate cause, and "states of mind."
8. As set forth in the North Carolina General Statutes, outline the elements of selected major crimes.
9. Compare and contrast the definitions of selected major crimes as defined in North Carolina, with the same offenses in an international culture.

*****Please refer to the online version of the Richmond Community College Program & Course Catalog and the Student Handbook for current academic and general information.**