

CCJ 3663 – Female Crime and Delinquency

Course Description:

A study of women in society and the criminal justice system. Includes the female delinquent, women as criminals, women as victims, and the impact of women as professionals in the Criminal Justice System. Prerequisites CCJ 2500 & CCJ1191.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will analyze female crime in the criminal justice system by:

- a. defining elements of crime
- b. describing the different components that comprise the criminal justice system
- c. examining the types of crimes committed by females
- d. reviewing and discussing the national and state female crime statistics

Competency 2: The student will explore the principles of female criminality by:

- a. defining patriarchal societies
- b. analyzing the social structure theories of society
- c. identifying the social process theories of society
- d. defining the labeling theory

Competency 3: The student will analyze female economic conditions and the effect on crime in society by:

- a. defining and identifying poverty and its characteristics
- b. examining the wage gap, secondary labor market status, and the feminization of poverty
- c. defining correlation between poverty and violence against females

Competency 4: The student will explore the effects of violence against females by:

- a. defining fear of crime and its relationship to victimization mind-set
- b. defining and comparing the definitions of violence, domestic battery, domestic violence, and family violence
- c. discussing the continuous cycle of violence against females
- d. identifying the steps after an attack

Competency 5: The student will analyze the crime of rape by:

- a. defining rape and its common law definition
- b. distinguishing between rape and sexual assault
- c. profiling characteristics of rapists

Competency 6: The student will explore the imprisonment of females by:

- a. analyzing the statistics of females in prison and jails
- b. defining special characteristics of the female inmate
- c. describing the special needs of female inmates
- d. identifying the challenges facing female inmates

Competency 7: The student will explore the principles of female juvenile crime by:

- a. discussing reasons for female juvenile delinquency
- b. distinguishing between juvenile delinquency and status offenses
- c. identifying current trends of female delinquency
- d. discussing female juvenile victimization

Competency 8: The student will identify the various roles of women professionals in the criminal justice system by:

- a. discussing prosecutorial positions
- b. discussing law enforcement positions
- c. discussing corrections positions
- d. discussing victim's advocacy positions

Competency 9: The student will identify examples of female discrimination by:

- a. defining and discussing individual discrimination
- b. defining and discussing organizational discrimination
- c. defining and discussing structural discrimination
- d. analyzing current female crime statistics

Competency 10: The student will explore component female advocacy programs by:

- a. determining victim's assistance programs
- b. identifying female's advocacy laws
- c. explaining domestic violence remedies available
- d. defining victims advocacy