

**MAYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Welcomes You To:**

**CJC 111.40
INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE
3 Credit and 3 Contact Hours**

Fall 2005

Course Description

This course introduces the components and processes of the criminal justice system. Topics include history, structure, functions, and philosophy of the criminal justice system and their relationship to life in our society. Upon completion, students should be able to define and describe the major system components and their interrelationships and evaluate career options. *This course has been approved to satisfy the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement pre-major an/or elective course requirement*

Prerequisites: Red 080

Corequisites: None

Instructor Information

Instructor: Ron Davis
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Course Information

Course Meets: MTWTHF 1:35 pm – 3:05 pm
(course will meet at the Avery County Campus)

Required Text(s): Introduction to Criminal Justice by Bohn and Haley

LRC Resources: None

Required supplies: A Pocket Style Manual by Diana Hacker

Course Objectives/Competencies:

1. A general overview of our Criminal Justice System and crime trends in our country.
2. A general understanding of Criminological Theories
3. A general understanding of the types of Law in our country.

4. A general understanding of the roles of police, courts, and corrections in the Criminal Justice System

Attendance Policy/Tardiness/Make-Up Work:

Students are expected to attend all class meetings. Absence in excess of 10 percent of the total hours (4.8) may result in a letter grade reduction. Students are requested to contact the instructor when it is known that an absence(s) will be necessary. In emergencies, the instructor may make exceptions to this policy.

Grading Criteria/Tests/Projects:

A total of three (3) test will be given. Each test will be worth 100 points. Assigned current events will be worth a total of 100 points. A five (5) page paper will be due which is worth 100 points and class participation is worth 100 points. This is a total of 600 possible points. Papers are to be at least 5 pages. Double spaced. 12 Font. (Explanation of papers in class.)

Grading Scale:

A = 90-100
B = 80-89
C = 70-79
D = 60-69
F = Below 60

Inclement Weather Procedures:

On snow days follow Mayland Community College Inclement Weather Policy. On a delay schedule the class will meet 10:45 to 11:25.

Academic Standards/Student Expectations/Ethics:

Students will maintain behavior consistent with a good learning environment. Academic dishonesty which includes, but is not limited to, plagiarism, cheating or collaborating on a test, or submitting the academic work of another as one's own, is prohibited.

Withdrawal Dates:

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End of Unconditional Withdrawal	Friday, September 23, 2005
End of Conditional Withdrawal	Tuesday, November 1, 2005

The following ADA statement: Any student requesting special accommodations for this course due to a disability should apply for services through the SOAR Office or the Counseling Center, which will document the disability. A counselor will then help determine which accommodations, if any, the student needs for success in this course

Course Outline/Weekly Topics

- Week 1 - Crime and Justice in the U.S.
- Week 2 - Crime and It's Consequences
- Week 3 - Explaining Crime
- Week 4 - The Rule of Law
* **Test # 1**
- Week 5 - History and Structure of American Law Enforcement
* **Topic for Papers are due.**
- Week 6 - Police Work
* **Test # 2**
- Week 7 - Policing America
- Week 8 - Admin. Of Justice
- Week 9 - Sentencing, Appeals, and Death Penalty
- Week 10 - Institutional Corrections
- Week 11 - Prison Life
* **Test # 3**
- Week 12 - Community Corrections
- Week 13 - Juvenile Justice
- Week 14 - Future of CJ
- Week 15 & 16 - Oral presentations & Papers Due