Program Planning Guide Criminal Justice Diploma (D55180)



Program Length: 3 semesters

Career Pathway Options: Associate in Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice Technology; Diploma in Criminal Justice Technology Program Site/s: Lee Main Campus - Day and Evening; Harnett Main Campus - Day

Suggested Course Schedule: Hours Class Lab Clinical Credit Notes: 1st Semester (Fall) Intro to Criminal Justice CJC 111 3 0 0 3 CJC 112 Criminology 3 0 0 3 Court Procedure & Evidence CJC 132 3 0 0 3 CJC 231 Constitutional Law 3 0 0 3 ACA College Success Course 1 13

2nd Semester (Spring)

CJC 131	Criminal Law	3	0	0	3	
CJC 212	Ethics & Comm Relations	3	0	0	3	
CJC 221	Investigative Principles	3	2	0	4	
ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry	3	0	0	3	
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3rd Semester (Fall)

CJC 113	Juvenile Justice	3	0	0	3			
CJC 141	Corrections	3	0	0	3			
CJC 214	Victimology	3	0	0	3			
PSY 150	Psychology	3	0	0	3			
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Total Semester Hours Credit required for graduation: 38

Course Descriptions:

ACA 111 College Student Success 1-0-1

This course introduces the college's physical, academic, and social environment and promotes the personal development essential for success. Topics include campus facilities and resources; policies, procedures, and programs; study skills; and life management issues such as health, self-esteem, motivation, goal-setting, diversity, and communication. Upon completion, students should be able to function effectively within the college environment to meet their educational objectives.

CJC 111 Intro to Criminal Justice 3-0-3

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 for transfer under the CAA and ICAA as a premajor and/or elective course requirement.

CJC 112 Criminology 3-0-3

This course introduces deviant behavior as it relates to criminal activity. Topics include theories of crime causation; statistical analysis of criminal behavior; past, present, and future social control initiatives; and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to explain and discuss various theories of crime causation and societal response.

CJC 113 Juvenile Justice 3-0-3 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.

CJC 131 Criminal Law 3-0-3

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.

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CJC 132 Court Procedure & Evidence 3-0-3 This course covers judicial structure/process/procedure from incident to disposition, kinds and degrees of evidence, and the rules governing admissibility of evidence in court. Topics include consideration of state and federal courts, arrest, search and seizure laws, exclusionary and statutory rules of evidence, and other related issues. Upon completion, students should be able to identify and discuss procedures necessary to establish a lawful arrest/search, proper judicial procedures, and the admissibility of evidence.

CJC 141 Corrections 3-0-3

This course covers the history, major philosophies, components, and current practices and problems of the field of corrections. Topics include historical evolution, functions of the various components, alternatives to incarceration, treatment programs, inmate control, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to explain the various components, processes, and functions of the correctional system. This course has been approved for transfer under the CAA and ICAA as a premajor and/or elective course requirement.

CJC 212 Ethics & Comm Relations 3-0-3

This course covers ethical considerations and accepted standards applicable to criminal justice organizations and professionals. Topics include ethical systems; social change, values, and norms; cultural diversity; citizen involvement in criminal justice issues; and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to apply ethical considerations to the decision-making process in identifiable criminal justice situations.

CJC 214 Victimology 3-0-3

This course introduces the study of victims. Emphasis is placed on roles/characteristics of victims, victim interaction with the criminal justice system and society, current victim assistance programs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to discuss and identify victims, the uniqueness of victims' roles, and current victim assistance programs.

CJC 221 Investigative Principles 3-2-4

This course introduces the theories and fundamentals of the investigative process. Topics include crime scene/incident processing, information gathering techniques, collection/preservation of evidence, preparation of appropriate reports, court presentations, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to identify, explain, and demonstrate the techniques of the investigative process, report preparation, and courtroom presentation. The course covers the impact of the Constitution of the United States and its amendments on the criminal justice system. Topics include the structure of the Constitution and its amendments, court decisions pertinent to contemporary criminal justice issues, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to identify/discuss the basic structure of the United States Constitution and the rights/procedures as interpreted by the courts.

ENG 111Writing and Inquiry3-0-3Prerequisites:Take one set:RED 090 and ENG 090, ENG095, DRE 098, or appropriate placement test scores; or

Multiple Measures waiver. This course is designed to develop the ability to produce clear writing in a variety of genres and formats using a recursive process. Emphasis includes inquiry, analysis, effective use of rhetorical strategies, thesis development, audience awareness, and revision. Upon completion, students should be able to produce unified, coherent, well-developed essays using standard written English. This course has been approved for transfer under the CAA and ICAA as a universal general education transfer component (UGETC) course in English Composition.

PSY 150 General Psychology 3-0-3

This course provides an overview of the scientific study of human behavior. Topics include history, methodology, biopsychology, sensation, perception, learning, motivation, cognition, abnormal behavior, personality theory, social psychology, and other relevant topics. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate a basic knowledge of the science of psychology. This course has been approved for transfer under the CAA and ICAA as a universal general education transfer component (UGETC) course in Social/Behavioral Sciences.