

## CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

Course: CJ 102 Criminology and Penology

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: RD 100, EN 060

### Description

A systematic survey of the nature and extent of crime, the factors related to criminal behavior, theories of treatment and practice, and the functions of the correctional system.

### Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Evaluate how race, gender and socioeconomic class affect how justice is dispensed.
- Interpret the role of victims with criminology and the criminal justice process
- Articulate and contrast the key theories employed to understand crime in society;
- Apply these theories across a variety of crime topics.

### Topical Outline

- Thinking Critically About Crime
- Measuring Crime
- Victims of Crime
- The Classical and positivist Schools of Criminology
- Biological and Psychological Theories
- Sociological Theories of Crime and Delinquency
- Life-Course and Integrated Theories
- Conflict and Critical Theories of Crime
- Property Offenses
- Criminal Offenses Against People
- Organized and White Collar Crime
- Public Order Offenses and Values
- Terrorism
- Criminology, Technology, and Privacy

Text: Fuller, John Randolph (2012). *Think Criminology*: McGraw Hill.

Student Assessment: Research Paper required. Additional assessment may be accomplished through projects, portfolios, exams, presentations and/or papers

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