



Broward Community College

Course Outline

STATUS: A

COMMON COURSE NUMBER: CCJ 2191

COURSE TITLE: Human Behavior in Criminal Justice

CREDIT HOURS: 3

CONTACT HOURS BREAKDOWN:

Lecture/Discussion 48

Lab 00

Other 00

Contact Hours/Week 3

CATALOG COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisite: None

Co requisite: None

A consideration of human behavior and how it relates to the duties and responsibilities of the Criminal Justice Practitioner.

General Education Requirements - Associate of Arts Degree, meets Area(s):

General Education Requirements - Associate in Science Degree, meets Area(s):

UNIT TITLES:

1. Introduction to Problem Areas
2. Psychological Considerations
3. Sociological Considerations
4. Special Considerations

I. Course Overview:

Upon successful completion of this course, the students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the relationship of human behavior to the various duties and responsibilities of the Criminal Justice Practitioner.

II. Units:

Unit 1. Introduction to Problem Areas

General Outcome:

- 1.0 The students should be able to demonstrate knowledge of the various problem areas affected by human behavior which confront the Criminal Justice Practitioner.

Specific Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this unit, the students should be able to:

- 1.1 Recognize the various behavioral problem areas associated with the concept of Police-Community Relations.
- 1.2 Recognize behavioral problems associated with the concept of Police Professionalism and its implications for Police-Community Relations.
- 1.3 Recognize behavioral problems associated with the area of discretionary use of police power.

Unit 2. Psychological Considerations

General Outcome:

2.0 The students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the psychological factors to be considered in understanding human behavior in Criminal Justice.

Specific Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this unit, the students should be able to:

- 2.1 Recognize the interrelationships of the self-image and public-image of the police officer.
- 2.2 Recognize the effects of perception, attitudes, beliefs, and values on human behavior in Criminal Justice.
- 2.3 Recognize the ramifications of prejudice and rumor on human behavior in Criminal Justice.

Unit 3. Sociological Considerations

General Outcome:

- 3.0 The students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the sociological factors to be considered in understanding human behavior in Criminal Justice.

Specific Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this unit, the students should be able to:

- 3.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the implications of relationships between the Criminal Justice System and racial, minority, and civil rights groups on human behavior.
- 3.2 Relate the effects of collective behavior and civil disobedience on the Criminal Justice System.
- 3.3 Relate the special aspects of human behavior associated with youth and the Criminal Justice System.
- 3.4 Relate the human behavioral aspects associated with citizens complaints and the Criminal Justice System.

Unit 4. Special Considerations

General Outcome:

4.0 The students should be able to demonstrate familiarity with some special factors to be considered in understanding human behavior in Criminal Justice.

Specific Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this unit, the students should be able to:

- 4.1 Relate the different human behavioral aspects in relations between citizens and police, prosecution, courts, and corrections.
- 4.2 Explain the human behavioral effects of Criminal Justice-Media Relationships.
- 4.3 Explain the human behavioral effects of Criminal Justice-Political Relationships.