

Minnesota State University Moorhead

CJ 602: Advanced Criminology

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4

Lecture Hours/Week: 4

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Advanced study of crime distribution and the major theories of crime causation from an interdisciplinary perspective. Special attention is given to the nature, extent, and measurement of crime in the US, and fundamental debates in criminological thought in research unique to the field. Dominant criminological theories will be critically assessed.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 05/05/2022 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Origin and development of criminological theories
2. In-depth analysis of major historical and modern criminological theories
3. Application of theories to crime trends and policy development

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the core literature and debates in criminology.
2. Demonstrate an ability to evaluate theories of crime and deviance.
3. Discuss crime and punishment as they exist in wider social, historical, political, and economic contexts.
4. Apply theory to practical issues and policy development.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted