

CRJS 225 : Professional Ethics in Criminal Justice

This course is designed to provide students who are interested in a criminal justice career with a basis for ethical decision-making in the areas of law enforcement and the courts. The study of ethical decision-making will be approached through case studies to enable students to develop an awareness and understanding of the ethical dilemma faced in the police service, the judiciary, and the correctional system and the checks and balances established to preserve the integrity of the criminal justice system.

Credits 3

CIP Code

43.0104

Prerequisites

(LIBR 150 may be taken concurrently).

Prerequisite Courses

LIBR 150

Course Outcomes

After successfully completing the course, the learner will be able to:

- Students will demonstrate an understanding of how a society establishes the moral and ethical standards for which it will require compliance.
- Students will be able to identify the ethical challenges faced by each of the major components of the criminal justice system; law enforcement; the courts; and corrections.
- Students will be able to analyze the ethical challenges facing the agencies that are required to enforce society's standards.
- The student will be able to identify the code of conduct common in criminal justice organizations and analyze how this code impacts the ethical standards established by the individual agency.