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CJUS 103-01 Intro to Corrections
Fall 2012 (3 credit hours)
Tuesdays 11:30 – 12:45
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Course Description and Objectives

This course is designed to introduce both institutional and non-institutional corrections in the criminal justice system.

By the end of the semester each student will be able to understand the historic background and philosophies of corrections in the criminal justice system and understand the various components within the system and how they interface with one another. The student will gain knowledge of local community corrections programs and their operation.

The course masters (#1) and reinforces (#3 and #6) of the Program Student Learning Objectives (PSLO).

- #1) As a result of completing the program in criminal justice the students should be able to describe the functions and roles of each component of the justice system.
- #3) As a result of completing the program in criminal justice, students should be able to explain the roles and functions of administrators in each component of the justice system.
- # 6) As a result of completing the program in criminal justice, students should model professional behavior and skills.

Required Reading

Allen, Latessa, and Ponder (2010) Corrections In America, 12th edition Pearson/Prentice Hall, Upper Saddle River, New Jersey

Course Requirements and Grading

- Exams – Two quizzes and one final exam will be administered during the semester.
- Students will also be graded on chapter review questions.
- Class Presentation - A 15 minute presentation will be required of each student reporting on a local community corrections program, a local correctional/detention facility or a criminal justice topic as approved by the instructor. The format of the presentation will

be given prior to this requirement. Presentations are to be given on the assigned date unless changed by the instructor.

Final grades will be determined according to the following breakdown and scale:

Quizzes (2)	40%	100-90	A
Chapter Questions	20%	80 – 89	B
Key Words	20%	70 - 79	C
Final Exam	20%	60- 69	D
		59 and below	F

Some Important Class Policies

Students are expected to read course material, and be prepared prior to coming to class.

Students are expected to come to class on time. Moreover, the instructor reserves the right to alter the course grading to address issues of poor attendance and/ or poor class preparation.

Academic dishonesty (cheating) is not permitted. Students considering cheating should read the section in your student handbook that addresses this issue and its consequences.

Students must be on time to take exams. No make-up exams will be given. The instructor reserves the right to alter the grading to accommodate quizzes and/or assignments.

Grade concerns may be addressed up to one week after an exam and/or assignment is returned to the class. Final exam grade concerns are also to be addressed one week after the grades are posted. This may be done by neatly writing or typing why you thought your answer was correct or why you thought a question was unfair. A grade change is not guaranteed, but if a student has a complaint that the instructor perceives as reasonable his/her score may be changed.

The instructor reserves the right to make adjustments to the syllabus as necessary.

Tentative Course Schedule CJUS 103 Intro to Corrections Fall Semester - 2012

Week 1:	August 21 and 23	Topic: Introduction and the Historical perspective Chapters 1-2
Week 2	Aug. 28 and Aug. 30	Correctional Ideologies, Sentencing & Appeals Process Chapters 3 - 4

Week 3	Sept. 4 Sept. 6	Probation, Chapter 5 Guest Speaker – Hugh Gentry Ohio Dept. of Rehab and Correction
Week 4	Sept. 11	Diversion and Intermediate Sanctions, Chapter 6 Review for quiz
	Sept. 13	Quiz
Week 5	Sept. 18 and 20	Custody Functions, Management and Treatment Functions, Chapters 7- 8
Week 6	Sept. 25 and Sept. 27	Jails and Detention Facilities, Chapters 9 and 10
Week 7	October 2	Guest Speaker - Warren Correctional Inst.
	October 4	The Federal System, Chapters 11
Week 8	Oct. 9	Private Sector Systems Chapter 12
	Oct. 11	Fall Holiday – no class
Week 9	Oct. 16	Parole and Reentry Chapter 13
	Oct. 18	Guest Speaker – Talbert House Diana Pearson
Week 10	Oct. 23	The Death Penalty Chapter 14, review for quiz
	Oct. 25	Quiz

Week 11	Oct. 30	Inmate and Ex-Offender Rights, Chapter 15
	Nov. 1	Male Offenders Chapter 16 Female Offenders Chapter 17
Week 12	Nov. 6	Juvenile Offenders Chapter 18
	Nov. 8	Guest Speaker – Larry Lewis, Ohio Dept. of Youth Services
Week 13	Nov. 13	Prep for class presentations, no formal class
	Nov. 15	Class presentations
Week 14	Nov. 20	Class presentations
	Nov. 22	Thanksgiving Day – no class
Week 15	Nov. 27	Class presentations
	Nov. 29	Class presentations
Week 16	Dec. 4	Guest Speaker –Dr. Wanza Jackson, Dept. of Corrections
	Dec. 6	Special Category Offenders Chapter 19, Exam Review
Exam	Dec. 11	Final Exam – 10:30-12:20