

CJ-1330: CRIMINAL LAW

Cuyahoga Community College

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Academic Term:

Fall 2018

Subject Code

CJ - Criminal Justice

Course Number:

1330

Title:

Criminal Law

Catalog Description:

Nature of the criminal act, essential elements for prosecution and defense, legal theories of responsibility, overview of common law offenses, and identification of emerging trends in law.

Credit Hour(s):

3

Lecture Hour(s):

3

Requisites

Prerequisite and Corequisite

None.

Outcomes

Course Outcome(s):

Interpret criminal law theory while differentiating between statutory and common laws crimes, focusing on crimes against persons and property.

Objective(s):

1. Differentiate between crimes against persons and property crimes.
2. Define terminology used in criminal law.
3. Discuss the concept of offenses involving morality and decency.
4. Define terms associated with drug offenses.
5. Describe the legislative process of making criminal laws.
6. Examine various defenses to criminal acts.
7. Discuss common law vs. statutory law, from a historical perspective.

Methods of Evaluation:

1. Participation
2. Midterm Examination
3. Term project
4. Final Examination

Course Content Outline:

1. Sources of Criminal Law
 - a. Constitutions
 - b. Statutes

- c. Court Decisions
- d. Administrative Law
- 2. Elements of a Crime - mens rea and actus reus
 - a. Criminal mental states and strict liability offenses
 - b. Theories of liability -Accomplice Liability, Attempt and Conspiracy
 - c. Common criminal defenses
- 3. Crimes Against Persons
 - a. Homicide and Assault
 - b. Sex Offenses
 - c. Robbery
 - d. Kidnapping
 - e. Arson
- 4. Property Crimes
 - a. Burglary and Trespass
 - b. Theft
 - c. Arson
- 5. Other Crimes
 - a. Offenses Against the Family
 - b. Offenses Against Justice and the Public Peace
 - c. White Collar Crime, Organized Crime and Terrorism
 - d. Drugs
 - e. Weapons
 - f. Motor Vehicle Offenses; Operating a vehicle Under the Influence

Resources

Pollock. *Criminal Law*. 11th. Routledge, 2015.

Samaha. *Criminal Law*. 12th. Wadsworth, 2016.

Gardner and Anderson. *Criminal Law*. 13th. Wadsworth, 2017.

Ohio State Legislature. "Ohio Revised Code, Title 29, Crimes - Procedure" Various. 2017-09-28 22:00:00.0.

Ohio State Legislature. "Ohio Revised Code, Title 45, Motor Vehicles" various. 2017-09-28 22:00:00.0.

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