



MASTER SYLLABUS

Administrative Unit: Criminal Justice Administration & Social Work Department
 Course Prefix and Number: MSCJ 550
 Course Title: Readings in Criminal Justice Administration

Digital Descriptions:

STUDENT DESCRIPTION			PAY-HOUR DESCRIPTION			
# Cr Hrs	# Lec Hrs	# Lab Hrs	Total #	=	Lec Hrs	+ Lab Hrs
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Catalog Description: Selected readings that allow the student to pursue areas of particular interest or need not covered in established courses or programs.

Additional information: The purpose of this course is to provide the student with an opportunity to independently explore specific topics of interest in an in-depth manner. With guidance from an instructor, the student will be responsible for thoroughly researching a given topic, utilizing available technological resources related to the chosen area of study.

The student should, upon completion of the course, be able to demonstrate proficiency of knowledge regarding the chosen topic, as well as the ability to critically analyze and synthesize concepts learned in this and other courses that may be related to the selected area of study. Learning proficiency will be demonstrated through interactive sessions with the instructor in addition to written assignments or exams that the instructor chooses to administer. The student will also demonstrate competence in the use of technological resources currently utilized within the criminal justice arena.

Prerequisites/Corequisites: 12 semester hours of required graduate foundation courses.

Text: These will be determined according to the chosen area of study.

Course Objectives: The purpose of this course is to encourage the student to develop and refine his or her ability to integrate and synthesize criminological concepts from the specified readings that directly relate to the chosen topic, as well as to concepts and/or issues

introduced in other courses that relate to the specified topic. Furthermore, the student will be required to utilize technological resources that support or supplement the chosen area of study.

Topical Outline: Topical outline will vary according to the chosen area of study.

Recommended maximum class size for this course: 15

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NOTE: The intention of this master course syllabus is to provide a general outline of the contents of this course, as specified by the faculty of Columbia College, regardless of who teaches the course, when it is taught, or where it is taught. This generic outline is not intended to restrict the way any individual faculty member teaches the course. The master syllabus, therefore, should be general enough to allow for a diversity of individual approaches to teaching the course, while at the same time it provides guidance on what the course should cover.