



BAKER COLLEGE
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

CRJ 1010 Introduction to Criminal Justice
3 Semester Credit Hours

Student Learning Outcomes and Enabling Objectives

1. Explore the different components of the CRJ system.
 - a. Discuss how the different systems work together
 - b. Explore the fields of corrections, courts, policing, parole/probation, security and juvenile justice.
 - c. Explain the careers in the CRJ system and identify career paths to get to various careers.
 - d. Describe structure of leadership in CRJ systems.

2. Examine the foundational skills, knowledge, concepts and practices used in CRJ.
 - a. Explore the meaning and concept of serve and protect.
 - b. Describe the communication used in CRJ.
 - c. Explain the key elements of basic documentation.
 - d. Explore the application of ethics in various fields.
 - e. Explore the needs of diverse populations/marginalized communities in the administration of justice.
 - f. Explain the need for confidentiality in CRJ.

3. Explore historical and current perspectives on crime and punishment.
 - a. Explain how history shaped our current CRJ systems
 - b. Explore how crime and punishment have evolved over time
 - i. Nationally
 - ii. Globally

4. Explore current influences and challenges in Criminal Justice.
 - a. Discuss the influence of social perceptions in CRJ.
 - b. Explore how political control changes processes.

- c. Explain how technology and media affect various professions and the system.
- d. Discuss how the demographic landscape affects perceptions.

Big Ideas and Essential Questions

Big Ideas

- Criminal Justice System
- Foundational Knowledge
- Historical Perspectives
- Influences and Challenges

Essential Questions

1. How was crime treated throughout history?
2. What are the components of the criminal justice system and how do they connect?
3. What foundational skills, knowledge, concepts and practices are used in CRJ?
4. What challenges face the various professions and what are their root causes?

These SLOs are approved for experiential credit.

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