WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
BASIC COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE TITLE: Principles of Criminology
COURSE NUMBER: CRJ 205

I. MAJOR INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS:

GOAL A:
The student will demonstrate understanding of crime etiology and criminal behavior.

Learning Outcomes: The student will:

A-1 Define Criminology.
A-2 Compare and contrast crime and deviance.
A-3 Discuss how the study of paradigms are important to the development of criminological theories.
A-4 Discuss the nature and development of theories.

GOAL B:
The student will develop an understanding of the measurements of crime.

Learning Outcomes: The student will:

B-1 Describe the collection of crime data through the Uniform Crime reports.
B-2 Discuss the National Crime Victimization Survey.
B-3 Describe the collection of data through various methods such as official reports, surveys, self reports, observation, case studies and unobtrusive measures.

GOAL C:
The student will understand the general characteristics of crime and criminals in relationship to identified correlates and variables.

Learning Outcomes: The student will:

C-1 Discuss race, religion and gender as correlates of crime.
C-2 Discuss economics, education and geography as correlates of crime.
C-3 Examine criminal offenders as designated by type of crime.

GOAL D:
The student will demonstrate an understanding and application of criminological theories.
Learning Outcomes: The student will:

D-1 Explain and apply the Classical theoretical approach to the study of crime.
D-2 Explain and apply the Positivist theoretical approach to the study of crime.
D-3 Explain and apply the Sociological theoretical approaches to the study of crime.
D-4 Explain and apply the Economic theoretical approaches to the study of crime.
D-5 Explain and apply the Conflict theoretical approach to the study of crime.

GOAL E:
The student will demonstrate an appreciation and understanding of the various typologies of crime.

Learning Outcomes: The student will:

E-1 Define crime typologies.
E-2 Identify the specialized characteristics that differentiate the various typologies of crime.

GOAL F:
Use appropriate written and oral communication skills.

Learning Outcomes: The student will:

F-1 Communicate information orally in a logical and grammatically correct manner.
F-2 Present written information using standard APA style.