

CRJ 325 – Criminal Procedure

Course Description

The Criminal Procedure course traces the criminal process from arrest through trial, including topics of admissibility of evidence, confessions, and civil rights decisions in relation to Constitutional doctrines, police regulatory behavior, and requirements associated with upholding and enforcing Constitutional rights. The course provides students an in-depth study into balancing governmental and societal interests with an individual's rights in a free society.

Instructional Materials

Del Carmen, R. V. (2014). *Criminal Procedure: Law and Practice* (9th ed.). Mason, OH: Cengage.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Research and analyze procedures governing the process of arrest through trial.
2. Critically debate the Constitutional safeguards of key amendments with specific attention to the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 14th Amendments.
3. Describe the difference between searches, warrantless searches, and stops.
4. Define what constitutes a legal search and arrest.
5. Explain key law enforcement regulatory procedures and rules and requirements of law enforcement in the evidence collection phase.
6. Explain and debate fundamental Supreme Court cases associated with criminal procedure.
7. Define and describe Constitutional laws and the court procedure
8. Use technology and information resources to research issues in the criminal procedure.
9. Write clearly and concisely about the criminal procedure using proper writing mechanics.