



## **CJ-300 Criminology**

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### **Description:**

This course uses real-world material to clarify concepts and theories in a concise, understandable manner. CJ-300 Criminology covers all sides of the issues without taking a political or theoretical position. Providing a broad, interdisciplinary view of Criminology, this course includes the latest insights into political crime; terrorism (e.g., ISIS, lone wolves); white-collar, blue-collar and green-collar crime; cybercrime and transnational crime (such as human trafficking). This course also builds student mastery of key concepts while engaging them with video cases, career scenarios, visual summaries, and more.

**Textbook:** *Criminology: The Core* 7<sup>th</sup> Ed. - Siegel - ISBN: 9781337557733

### **Course objectives:**

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Explain the various elements of criminology.
- Analyze the three different views of the definition of crime.
- Discuss the various forms of crime data and current trends.
- Compare and contrast the most important theories of victimization.
- Explain the association between social structure and crime.
- Differentiate among the various causes of violent crime.
- Compare and contrast cybertheft, cybervandalism, and cyberwar.

### **Contents:**

Ch 1: Crime and Criminology	Ch 8: Social Conflict and Restorative Justice
Ch 2: The Nature and Extent of Crime	Ch 9: Developmental Theories
Ch 3: Victims and Victimization	Ch 10: Violent Crime
Ch 4: Rational Choice Theory	Ch 11: Political Crime and Terrorism
Ch 5: Trait Theory	Ch 12: Economic Crimes
Ch 6: Social Structure Theory	Ch 13: Public Order Crimes
Ch 7: Social Process Theory	Ch 14: Crimes of the New Millennium

### **Grading Scale (70% required for passing)**

**A = 90-100%**  
**B = 80-89.9%**  
**C = 70-79.9%**  
**F = Below 70%**

### **Grade Weighting**

**Chapter Quizzes..... 50%**  
**Activities ..... 20%**  
**Final Exam ..... 30%**  
**100%**