



CJ-600 Substantive and Procedural Criminal Law

Description:

CJ-600 reflects the latest laws, regulations, and practices in the field, delivering extensive coverage of every aspect of the law and detailing the duties a paralegal is expected to perform. This course combines high-level, comprehensive coverage of both criminal law and criminal procedure with recent developments, foundational concepts, and emerging trends such as terrorism, treason, and national security crimes; cyber stalking; virtual child pornography; corporate crime; and racial profiling. Case excerpts promote case analysis skills, while learning aids help sharpen students' problem solving and analytical skills.

Textbook: *Criminal Law and Procedure* 7th Ed. – Hall - ISBN: 9781285861364

Course objectives:

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Describe the basic constitutional structure of state and federal governments with an emphasis on how structure affects criminal law and criminal justice administration.
- Identify and describe the objectives and sources of criminal law.
- Identify and define the two basic elements of most crimes, *mens rea* and *actus reus*.
- Explain, and compare the elements of common law and contemporary crimes.
- Understand specific rights, such as freedom from double jeopardy, to speak, to practice one's religion, to privacy, to be treated equally, substantive and procedural due process.
- Identify and explain the landmark Supreme Court cases.

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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%