COURSE INFORMATION FORM

DISCIPLINE
Criminal Justice

COURSE TITLE
Criminal Law I

CR.HR  3  3  LAB HR.  CLIN/INTERN HR.  CLOCK HR.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION
Introduction to Criminal Law. Classification and analysis of crimes and criminal acts. Criminal law as a means of preservation and protection of life and property.

PREREQUISITES
None

EXPECTED STUDENT OUTCOMES IN THE COURSE
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Use appropriate legal vocabulary in the discussion of a case.
2. Explain theories and concepts associated with criminal law
3. Describe court procedures in a criminal case
4. State criminal cases that affect civil liberties
5. Identify different classification of felony and misdemeanor offenses.
CLASS-LEVEL ASSESSMENT MEASURES

Student accomplishment of expected student outcomes will be assessed using the following measures. (Identify which measures are used to assess which outcomes.)

Exam (1-5)
Research Paper (1-3)

PROGRAM-LEVEL OUTCOMES ADDRESSED

General Education Outcomes
Specify which general education outcomes, if any, are substantially addressed by the course by completing the “Course/Program Assessment Matrix” to show the relationship between course and program outcomes and assessment measures.

Occupational Program Outcomes
Specify which occupational program outcomes, if any, are substantially addressed by the course by completing the “Course/Program Assessment Matrix” to show the relationship between course and program outcomes to assessment measures.
Individual instructors may order this outline as fits the needs of their individual courses. In addition, they may place more emphasis on some areas than on others. What is assured is that this particular list is covered in the course. Other topics may be added to a course as the instructor sees fit, and as time and interest allow. An *asterisk can be used to mark an item as optional.

I. Criminal Law: Concepts and Terms
   A. Prima Facia Case
   B. Mens Rea, Acteus Rea
   C. Corpus Delecti

II. Development of Criminal Law and Punishment
   A. English Common Law
   B. American Jurisprudence

III. The Court Process
   A. Professional in the Courtroom
   B. Court Process

IV. Classification of Crimes
   A. Felony and Misdemeanors
   B. City ordinances, state and federal offenses

V. Classic Supreme Court Cases

VI. Sentencing and Release
   A. Sentencing Process
   B. Appeals Process