Course Prefix and Number: ADJ 130

Credits: 3

Course Title: Introduction to Criminal Law

Course Description: Surveys the general principles of American criminal law, the elements of major crimes, and the basic steps of prosecution procedure. Prerequisite: Placement in ENG 111 or placement in co-requisites ENG 111 and EDE 11. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisite: Placement in ENG 111 or placement in co-requisites ENG 111 and EDE 11

Student Learning Outcomes:
Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to
a. Describe and discuss the criminal law of Virginia;
b. Demonstrate a knowledge of Constitution responsibilities of criminal justice personnel;
c. Demonstrate an understanding of how to research laws in the Code of Virginia; and
d. Identify case law as it applies to the criminal justice system.

Major Topics to Be Included:
a. Crimes Against Person
b. Crimes Against Property
c. Sex Crimes
d. Balancing of Constitutional Rights with the Need for Public Order

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