

**CJCR 1304**  
**Probation and Parole**  
**Western Texas College**

I. Basic Course Information

- A. Course Description: A survey of the structure, organization, and operation of probation and parole services. Emphasis on applicable state statutes and administrative guidelines.
- B. Prerequisites: None

II. Student Learning Outcomes

- A. Describe the professional qualifications for employment as a probation or parole practitioner
- B. Demonstrate skills in management and treatment practices; and create and develop community relations strategies

III. Online Testing Requirements

- A. Course exams must be proctored by an approved testing organization. (Ask your instructor for more details.)
- B. Students are not allowed to use their book or notes of any kind while taking their proctored tests and exams.

IV. Major Course Requirements: The grade for this course will be determined as follows:

- A. Exams: 30%
- B. Assignments: 30%
- C. Quizzes: 25%
- D. Discussions: 15%
- E. Grading scale:
  - A= (90-100%)
  - B= (80-89%)
  - C= (70-79%)
  - D= (60-69%)

V. Information on Books and Other Course Materials

- A. Title: Probation and Parole: Corrections in the Community
- B. Authors: Howard Abadinsky
- C. Edition: 13th Edition
- D. Publisher: Pearson
- E. ISBN-13: 9780134548616

VI. Other Policies, Procedures and important dates: Please refer to the WTC Course Catalog for the following:

- A. Campus Calendar
- B. Final exam schedule
- C. How to drop a class
- D. Withdrawal information
- E. Student Conduct/Academic Integrity
- F. Class Attendance
- G. Students with disabilities

VII. Course Sequence & Content

<b>Week</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Week 1	<b>Course Overview</b>
Week 2	Chapter 1: Probation and Parole in Criminal Justice  <b>Quiz 1</b>
Week 3	Chapter 2: Probation and Parole in Juvenile Justice  <b>Quiz 2</b>
Week 4	Chapter 3: History and Administration of Probation  <b>Discussion 1</b>  <b>Assignment 1</b>
Week 5	Chapter 4: Pretrial Services, Sentencing, and the Presentence Report  <b>Quiz 3</b>
Week 6	Chapter 5: American Prisons and the Evolution of Parole  <b>Discussion 2</b>
Week 7	Chapter 6: Administration of Parole Services  <b>Quiz 4</b>
Week 8	Chapter 7: Theory and Practice in Probation and Parole  <b>Assignment 2</b>
Week 9	<b>Exam 1</b>

Week 10	Chapter 8: Probation and Parole Officers <b>Discussion 3</b>
Week 11	Chapter 9: Probation and Parole Supervision <b>Quiz 5</b>
Week 12	Chapter 10: Intermediate Punishments <b>Assignment 3</b>
Week 13	Chapter 11: Special Issues and Program in Probation and Parole <b>Discussion 4</b>
Week 14	Chapter 12: Research and the Future of Probation and Parole <b>Quiz 6</b>
Week 15	Course Review
Week 16	<b>Final Exam</b>

Disclaimer: Sequence & Content is subject to change at the instructor's discretion.