

CJSA 1317
Juvenile Justice System

Western Texas College

I. Basic Course Information

A. Course Description: A study of the juvenile justice process to include specialized juvenile law, role of the juvenile law, role of the juvenile courts, role of police agencies, role of correctional agencies, and theories concerning delinquency.

B. Prerequisites: None

II. Student Learning Outcomes

- A. Describe the juvenile law and the role of juvenile courts
- B. Explain the roles of police and correctional agencies concerning delinquency
- C. Review and contrast the theories of delinquent conduct

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: Juvenile Justice: Policies, Programs, and Practices
- B. Authors: Taylor, R.W., & Fritsch, E.J.
- C. Edition: 4th
- D. Publisher: McGraw-Hill
- E. ISBN-13: 9781307011791

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

Week	Topic
Week 1	Course Overview
Week 2	Chapter 1: The Juvenile Justice System Quiz 1
Week 3	Chapter 2: History of the Juvenile Justice System Quiz 2
Week 4	Chapter 3: Juvenile Crime, Criminals, and Victims Discussion 1 Assignment 1
Week 5	Chapter 4: Choice, Deterrence, Biological, and Psychological Theories Quiz 3
Week 6	Chapter 5: Social Structure, Social Process, and Social Reaction Theories EXAM I
Week 7	Chapter 6: Delinquency Prevention and Intervention Discussion 2 Assignment 2
Week 8	Chapter 7: Police and Juveniles Quiz 4
Week 9	Chapter 8: Juvenile Law and Procedure

	Discussion 3
Week 10	Chapter 9: The Juvenile Court Quiz 5
Week 11	Chapter 10: Juveniles in the Criminal Justice System Exam II
Week 12	Chapter 11: Community-Based Corrections for Juveniles Discussion 4 Assignment 3
Week 13	Chapter 12: Institutional Corrections for Juveniles Quiz 6
Week 14	Chapter 13: Gangs and Delinquency Discussion 5
Week 15	Chapter 14: Special Populations Chapter 15: Future Directions in Juvenile Justice Course Review
Week 16	Final Exam

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