

CJ 450 Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice

Mission Statement: The mission of Park University, an entrepreneurial institution of learning, is to provide access to academic excellence, which will prepare learners to think critically, communicate effectively and engage in lifelong learning while serving a global community.

Vision Statement: Park University will be a renowned international leader in providing innovative educational opportunities for learners within the global society.

Course	CJ 450 Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice
Semester	Portfolio
Faculty	
Degrees/Certificates	
Daytime Phone	
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Class Days	TBA
Class Time	TBA
Credit Hours	3

Textbook:

Course Description:

This capstone course addresses current issues and trends in criminal justice with emphasis on group discussion. Each student will be required to prepare, submit and defend a senior thesis. Successful completion of the thesis is mandatory. This course will satisfy the EN 306 requirement for Criminal Justice majors. PREREQUISITES: EN 105, EN 106, passing the WCT and senior standing. 3:0:3

Learning Outcomes:

Core Learning Outcomes

1. Assess the ethical and value questions in the criminal justice system.
2. Criticize factual situations, applying this knowledge.
3. Improve the ability to effectively gather, evaluate, and communicate information (in both written and oral forms), including the use of the Internet for communication and research.
4. Design and construct the research, writing and defense of a thesis.

Core Assessment:

Senior Thesis. A senior thesis is required in this course. The specifics of this requirement and the rubric for scoring this requirement will be developed the first class meeting.

Academic Honesty:

Academic integrity is the foundation of the academic community. Because each

student has the primary responsibility for being academically honest, students are advised to read and understand all sections of this policy relating to standards of conduct and academic life. [Park University 2006-2007 Undergraduate Catalog](#) Page 87-89

Plagiarism:

Plagiarism involves the use of quotations without quotation marks, the use of quotations without indication of the source, the use of another's idea without acknowledging the source, the submission of a paper, laboratory report, project, or class assignment (any portion of such) prepared by another person, or incorrect paraphrasing. [Park University 2006-2007 Undergraduate Catalog](#) Page 87

Attendance Policy:

Instructors are required to maintain attendance records and to report absences via the online attendance reporting system.

1. The instructor may excuse absences for valid reasons, but missed work must be made up within the semester/term of enrollment.
2. Work missed through unexcused absences must also be made up within the semester/term of enrollment, but unexcused absences may carry further penalties.
3. In the event of two consecutive weeks of unexcused absences in a semester/term of enrollment, the student will be administratively withdrawn, resulting in a grade of "W".
4. A "Contract for Incomplete" will not be issued to a student who has unexcused or excessive absences recorded for a course.
5. Students receiving Military Tuition Assistance or Veterans Administration educational benefits must not exceed three unexcused absences in the semester/term of enrollment. Excessive absences will be reported to the appropriate agency and may result in a monetary penalty to the student.
6. Report of a "F" grade (attendance or academic) resulting from excessive absence for those students who are receiving financial assistance from agencies not mentioned in item 5 above will be reported to the appropriate agency.

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Disability Guidelines:

Park University is committed to meeting the needs of all students that meet the criteria for special assistance. These guidelines are designed to supply directions to students concerning the information necessary to accomplish this goal. It is Park University's policy to comply fully with federal and state law, including Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, regarding students with disabilities. In the case of any inconsistency between these guidelines and federal and/or state law, the provisions of the law will apply. Additional information concerning Park University's policies and procedures related to

disability can be found on the Park University web page:
<http://www.park.edu/disability> .