

Course Description

CCJ4678 | Race Gender Ethnic & Crime | 3.00 credits

Focuses on the challenges and controversies of managing and treating special offender populations such as juvenile, elderly, disabled, mentally ill, pregnant inmates, etc.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will define and describe notable offenders by:

- 1. Discussing the purposes of correctional agencies
- 2. Identifying and discussing special offender populations

Competency 2: The student will analyze strategies for incarcerating juveniles in adult correctional facilities by:

- 1. Explaining and discussing the legislative process
- 2. Identifying and describing management and administrative challenges facing correctional administrators in maintaining juveniles in adult facilities

Competency 3: The student will discuss the scope and trends of drug offenders by:

- 1. Comparing drug offender and addict statistics to inmate statistics
- 2. Evaluating prison drug abuse programs

Competency 4: The student will discuss the increase of mentally ill prisoners by:

- 1. Analyzing closures of mental health facilities and the release of mentally ill individuals
- 2. Describing the impact of untreated mentally ill individuals on the criminal justice system
- 3. Analyzing the statistics of the mentally ill incarcerated population
- 4. Describing mental health programs in correctional facilities

Competency 5: The student will discuss aging inmate concerns by:

- 1. Outlining reasons for the growth of an aging prison
- 2. Identifying and describing elderly inmate management resources and programmatic issues for correctional administrators relating to elderly inmates

Competency 6: The student will analyze prison violence by:

- 1. Identifying and describing violent offender statistics
- 2. Discussing standard disciplinary procedures
- 3. Describing the impact of "supermax prison"
- 4. Debating the role and responsibility of probation, corrections, and parole

Competency 7: The student will describe sexual offender issues by:

- 1. Defining and discussing sex offenders and pedophiles
- 2. Outlining and discussing the characteristics of sexual offenders and their victims
- 3. Examining and discussing the management of sexual offenders
- 4. Discussing treatment models and "best practices"

Course Competency 8: The student will identify issues facing offenders with infectious diseases by:

- 1. Discussing high-risk categories
- 2. Analyzing statistics and special needs of HIV- positive inmates
- 3. Analyzing the statistics and special needs of inmates with tuberculosis

Competency 9: The student will examine and describe legislation relating to notable offenders by:

- 1. Researching and describing US Supreme Court cases
- 2. Researching and discussing legislative and grand jury reports

Learning outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society