Course Competency

CJL4170 Corrections Legal System (3 credits)

Course Description

An analysis of contemporary legal decisions regarding the rights and responsibilities of prisoners, correctional administrators, and correctional officers. (3 hr. lecture)

Course Competency	Learning Outcomes
Competency 1: discuss the importance of law to the corrections profession	1. Communication
 reviewing how laws are made exploring the court's role in correctional administration analyzing the rationale for the adoption of correction standards analyzing the importance of correctional personnel utilizing legal research skills 	
Competency 2:discuss the rights and liabilities impacting corrections personnel	1. Communication
 assessing situations involving the right to use deadly and non-deadly force identifying situations involving possible liability describing the concept of vicarious liability describing the rights of prison personnel 	
Competency 3: analyze the constitutional rights of prisoners as determined by the Supreme Court and other federal courts	1. Critical thinking
 comparing the difference between the rights of pretrial detainees and convicted prisoners identifying and describing protections and 	

limitations of prisoners 3. outlining prisoners rights of access to the courts and attorneys 4. discussing adverse conditions within a corrections facility	
Competency 4: analyze the due process rights of employees and inmates	1. Critical thinking
 identifying and describing the due process rights of employees and inmates tracing the rights afforded in the constitution debating society's attitude towards inmates rights 	
Competency 5: discuss the role of jail and prison personnel in a civil lawsuit	1. Communication
categorizing civil cases	
Competency 6:describe the reporting process	1. Communication
 defining the purpose of a report discussing report requirements reviewing report essentials 	
Competency 7:discuss aspects of prisoner responsibilities	
 identifying and describing basic responsibilities while incarcerated examining due process inside the institution analyzing the effect of environment on responsibilities describing psychological benefit of assigning responsibilities to inmates 	
Competency 8:describe prisoner rights	1. Communication

 citing and discussing religious freedoms exploring visitation/association defining and discussing freedoms of speech debating the issues of access and free press 	
Competency 9:demonstrate knowledge of institutional punishment	Communication Information Literacy
 defining punishments identifying and discussing cruel and unusual punishment debating the cause and effect of punishment 	

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