

## **CRIMINAL JUSTICE 1152**

### **Criminal Law**

**This is an information sheet only, not the course syllabus.**

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

An overview of the development of criminal law and the principles of accountability. This includes a review and analysis of substantive criminal law, the necessary elements of a variety of crimes and related criminal defenses. **Prerequisite:** None. (3 credit hours)

#### **REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED COURSE MATERIALS**

Please follow the instructions below to locate information on the textbook and other materials for this course.

1. From [COD home page](#), click on **myACCESS**.
2. Click on **Search for Credit Classes**.
3. From the **Term** drop-down box select the term.
4. Choose your course from the **Subjects** drop-down menu.
5. In the **Course #** field, enter your course number.
6. In the **Section** field, enter the course section number if known.
7. From the **Course Types** drop-down menu select **Internet/Online**.
8. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on **SUBMIT**.
9. Click on the **Section Name and Title** link.
10. Click on **[Click here for prices of required textbook\(s\) and supplies](#)** and course material information will be displayed.

Alternatively, you can visit the [COD Bookstore](#) website to find this information.

**References:** LexisNexis *Illinois Criminal and Traffic Law Manual*.  
This year's edition may be purchased at the option of the student.

*The Constitution of the United States of America*

#### **COURSE OUTLINE**

Analyze the foundations of criminal justice in the United States. Critically analyze substantive criminal law, with an emphasis on Illinois law. Introduction to law enforcement and procedural criminal law.

The course is divided into units that consist of multiple chapters. There will be an exam at the end of each unit and assignments for most chapters. The course project will be due in the second half of the term. Discussion board points may be earned throughout the term.

#### **EVALUATION/GRADING**

The final grade for the course will be based upon total points accumulated throughout the term. A maximum of 400 points may be earned as follows: four exams totaling 200 points; 13 assignments totaling 130 points; a course project worth 50 points; and 20 points for discussion board participation. The grading scale is listed below:

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Points</b>
A	360 – 400 points
B	320 – 359 points
C	280 – 319 points
D	240 – 279 points
F	0 – 239 points

**SATISFACTORY/FAIL OPTION**

The S/F grade option is available to students in this course. Contact the instructor or refer to the syllabus for details and conditions.

**INCOMPLETE GRADE POLICY**

The Incomplete grade option is not available in this course.