CORRECTIONAL SYSTEMS AND PRACTICES (CRIJ 2313)
SYLLABUS
SCH: 3 LECTURE / 0 LAB

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
A study of the role of corrections in the criminal justice system. Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to discuss the role of corrections within the Criminal Justice system; demonstrate an understanding of the operations of the correctional institution; discuss various alternatives to incarceration; the treatment and rehabilitation of offenders including legal and constitutional issues; current and future trends in institutional corrections; and discuss the need for correctional systems in today's society. The focus of this course is to introduce the student of criminal justice to correctional systems in this country. Emphasis is placed on the historical development of correctional systems and practices, treatment of offenders, goals of corrections, and special needs of offenders in today's systems.

TEXT AND SUPPLIES:

Supplies: Students will bring notebooks, pens, pencils, and Scantron® sheets for examinations to class. It is suggested that students purchase several Scantron® sheets, both objective-type and essay-type, at the beginning of the semester, and have them available during class, in the event an unannounced quiz is given.

COURSE GOALS/OBJECTIVES: Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- describe the organization and operation of correctional systems and alternatives to institutionalization;
- describe treatment and rehabilitative programs;
- differentiate between the short-term incarceration and long-term institutional environments;
- evaluate current and future correctional issues;
- identify the constitutional rights applicable to the correctional setting.

Participation Statement: For Online courses, students MUST actively participate by completing an academic assignment by the official census date. Students who do not so, will be dropped from the course.

Each student should anticipate at least one hour out of class preparation for each lecture hour, plus study time preparing for examinations. Attendance is important in this class.

Portable cellular phones, beepers, and similar paging devices may be disruptive to the class, and you are encouraged NOT to bring them into the classroom. If you do bring them to

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class, please make sure they are turned off. Should they become a nuisance, you may be asked to remove them from the classroom. The wearing of hats and the consumption of food are not allowed in during class, and, pursuant to Midland College Policy 5:14:02, the use of tobacco products (smoking, dipping, chewing, etc.) is prohibited in the building, including the classroom.

**Students missing a major examination must make the exam before the next class period unless special arrangements are made.** Make-up examinations may be the same as, or different from, the examination given in class. Make-up examinations will cover the same material as the scheduled examination. Failure to make up an examination will result in a grade of zero for the missed exam. No make-up opportunity is available for the final exam. Final exams are not given early or late. The instructor reserves the right to give quizzes, announced or unannounced, at any time. There is no opportunity to make up quizzes that are missed.

The instructor cannot drop students from courses. It is your responsibility to drop a class if you no longer plan to attend and complete the semester. Check the Midland College catalog for the last day to drop a course. You may be limited in the number of courses you can drop, and you may not be entitled to a tuition refund if you drop a course.

**COURSE SCHEDULE:**
The class meets for three lecture hours per week.

**INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:**
- Instructor: Brian Kneisley
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- Telephone: (432) 685-4685
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Office Hours: Subject to change each semester, office hours are posted and announced in class.

**ADA Statement:** Any student who because of a disabling condition may require some special arrangements in order to meet course requirements should contact the Counselor/Disability Specialist at 432-685-5598 as soon as possible. The Counselor/Disability Specialist is located in the Scharbauer Student Center Building. These conditions may include documented physical or educational disabilities. Please be aware that services or accommodations are not automatic. Each student must request them and secure the proper authorizations/documentation.