

CRJ 330 – Comparative Criminal Justice

Course Description

This course offers a comparative perspective on crime and on the practice of criminal justice. The role of increased globalization in transnational crime and justice are explored, to include: trafficking in persons, transnational crime, narcoterrorism, international cybercrime and cyberscams, the relationships between international terrorist organizations, and the functioning and organization of international crime fighting agencies.

Instructional Materials

Dammer, H., Albanese, J. (2011). *Comparative criminal justice systems: 2011 custom edition* (4th ed). Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Cengage Learning.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Describe the nature of globalization and assess the aims and methods of comparative criminal justice and criminology.
2. Illustrate the nature and extent of various types of transnational crime.
3. Compare and contrast American perspectives on criminal law with those of other countries.
4. Understand the principles of the four major legal traditions and types of legal systems around the world.
5. Appraise the role of procedural law in the four major legal traditions.
6. Appraise the nature of comparative policing and global law enforcement cooperation.
7. Differentiate the role of courts in various societies and in international context.
8. Compare international perspectives on corrections and criminal punishment, including comparative sentencing typologies.
9. Compare various international perspectives on juvenile justice.
10. Use technology and information resources to research comparative perspectives of criminal justice.