

Course:

CRMJS 3111 Crime and Society

3 hours

Majors (Adult)

Criminal Justice (B.S.)

Departments/Programs:

Criminal Justice (Adult Undergraduate)

This course uses the sociological perspective to consider how deviance, crime, and punishment rate are "culturally defined, institutionally structured, and socially negotiated" (Harmann and Uggen 2014:xv). We will consider how socially constructed demographic categories such as race, social class, and gender are experienced differently in relation to society and the criminal justice system within that society. The focus will be on the balance between structured inequality and personal experiences in a complicated post-industrial society such as ours.

Prerequisite(s): CRMJS 1011 Introduction to Criminal Justice and SOC 1111 Introduction to Sociology.