

**Nebraska Wesleyan University**

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## **FORSC 4780 Adolescent and Juvenile Justice**

1 hour

Departments/Programs:

Forensic Science

Students will review the developmental (cognitive, physical, emotional, maturational) components of adolescent development, and how these intersect with the juvenile justice system. Discussion will focus on juvenile-specific issues related to adjudication as juvenile (vs. adult), competency related to adjudication, risk assessment, treatment, and management. Recent changes in child welfare strategies, court rulings, and public policy issues will also be presented.