

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
Criminal Justice Program
Revision Date: 08-26-19

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number: CRIM2999

Course Title: Individual Special Projects

Prerequisite(s): Must have permission of instructor, program director, and division dean.

Catalog Description: Study of selected topic in Criminal Justice by doing additional research and development in an area of interest.

Credit Hours: 1.0-3.0

Class Hours: 15-45

Lab Hours: 0

Total Contact Hours: 15-45

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Course will:*

- A. Students will demonstrate the ability to conduct research and attain personal and professional goals by completion of objectives as agreed to by each student and the assigned instructor.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- A. Student Learning Outcomes: *Student will be able to:*

1. Students will demonstrate through their independent study that they can analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view.
2. Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of concepts involved in the study of criminal justice and their application to the specific topic or activity the student is engaged in primarily in writing assignments.
3. Students doing research projects will demonstrate their ability to apply research methods to their specific topic.
4. Students will develop a greater depth of knowledge in their specific area of interest.
5. Students will develop the capacity to work independently, set personal schedules and meet deadlines.

- B. General Education Learning Outcomes (GELOs):

1. GELO 1: Oral Communication
Outcome 4: Competently communicate messages – both verbally and nonverbally – to a variety of audience types and in a variety of situations.
2. GELO 2: Written Communication
Outcome 5: Read and write in mechanically-sound, college-level English.
3. GELO 3: Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
Outcome 3: Evaluate ideas presented in writing, media, speech, or artistic presentations.
4. GELO 6: Career and Life Skills
Outcome 7: Demonstrate choices that reflect personal responsibility in one's academic, civic, social, and vocational/professional life.

IV. CONTENT/TOPICAL OUTLINE (*course outline may provide more detailed information*)

- A. The content/topic will vary depending on the project that was approved; however, each project will be required to have as part of the content:
1. Identify a specific topic to be investigated (within the field of criminal justice);
 2. Outline a detailed investigative methodology for researching that topic;
 3. Submit a detailed schedule of activities to be performed, including deadlines for completion of each activity;

4. Prepare an annotated bibliography of all sources used;
5. Submit an outline, preliminary draft, and final version of a paper on the topic selected.

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

- A. Required Text(s): None
- B. Other Resources: Resources will vary depending on the project that is approved by faculty.

VI. METHODS OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION

- A. Various, agreed to by each student and the assigned faculty.

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION

- A. Grading will be based upon successful completion of assigned research and development project course objectives and modified by the following:
 1. Students must document minimum number of project hours as determined by course credits
 2. Submitted materials, documents and reports shall be of professional quality
 3. Project tasks shall be completed in a professional manner
 4. Students must demonstrate:
 - a. Self-initiative in completion of project goals on a timeline agreed to by faculty
 - b. Professional attitudes and behaviors in performance of project tasks
 - c. Professional appearance while participating in project activities
 - d. A cooperative attitude and behaviors when working with others
 - e. Professional use, care and operation of equipment, tools, and supplies
- B. SCC STANDARD GRADING SCALE POLICY:

A+	95-100	C+	75-79
A	90-94	C	70-74
B+	85-89	D+	65-69
B	80-84	D	60-64
		F	Below 60

VIII. SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- A. See individual instructor's course outline.