A. Course Description

Credits: 4

Prerequisites: CJS 600 Introduction to Graduate Studies in Criminal Justice

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week:

MnTC Goals: None

The course will examine the processes and dynamics through which agencies, professionals and citizens partner to develop cooperative problem solving communities, focusing on evidence-based practices that foster inclusion, collaboration and authentic community building. The course affords an opportunity for analysis of diverse communities, including an examination of the influence of various communities on the criminal justice system and the disparate impact of justice practices across different communities.

B. Course Effective Dates: 08/16/2015 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Evaluate the dynamics, challenges, and advantages of community organizing, activism, and collaboration.
2. Evaluate the structure, function, and life-course of social movements.
3. Assess the influence of schools, businesses, faith-based communities, social service agencies, non-profits, volunteer-based organizations, grassroots groups, informal networks, and criminal justice agencies on agenda setting, legislation, problem solving, and social change.
4. Apply effective practices in community engagement to criminal justice scenarios.
5. Develop strategies to structure regular and ongoing group interactions in order to deepen knowledge, spread expertise, and coordinate efforts.

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

This contains no goal areas.

G. Special Information

None