

SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY  
SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Title: YOUNG OFFENDERS I  
Code No.: CCW 600-3  
Program: CHILD CARE AND ADOLESCENT WORKER  
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### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course will provide a practical orientation to the legislation regarding young persons in conflict with the law, i.e. The Young Offenders Act, and the Child and Family Services Act (C.F.S.A. - Bill 77). The course will examine the impact of the legislation on young offenders, and on the service delivery system responsible for its implementation, i.e., the justice system. Issues identified by justice system critics and by the public will be explored. Finally, this course will explore the sources of young offender attitudes, offence typology, and various theories of causation of delinquency.

### OBJECTIVES:

1. To provide a basic working knowledge of the legislation pertaining to young offenders in Ontario.
2. To familiarize the students with the components of the justice service delivery system including the police, courts, corrections and residential services.
3. To explore the sources of young offender attitudes, offence typology and the prevalent theories of delinquency causation.

### LEARNING RESOURCES:

West, Gordon W., Young Offenders and the State: A Canadian Perspective on Delinquency, Butterworth and Co. (Canada) Ltd. Toronto, 1984.

Pocket Criminal Code, 1986, Carswell Legal Publications, Agincourt.

Chapter 32, An Act to Amend the Young Offenders Act, Federal Publications Inc., Toronto.

Chapter 55, Statutes of Ontario, 1984 (Bill 77), An Act Respecting the Protection and Well-Being of Children and Their Families, Queen's Printer for Ontario, Toronto.

### METHODOLOGY:

The class will be taught through a combination of lectures, case presentations, discussions, guest speakers and audio-visual presentations. Where convenient to the class, some classes will be conducted on site, e.g., Young Offender Unit, Sault Ste. Marie Jail.

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Eighty percent (80%) attendance is compulsory to pass the course.
2. To complete assigned reading/research and be prepared to discuss this material in class.
3. To participate actively and fully in class discussions.
4. To complete two (2) in-class tests on material covered.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS - Continued.

5. To complete two term papers (typed). Choice of topics is to be discussed with the instructor. Sources must be documented according to the standard format.
6. Students will give a twenty minute in-class seminar on term paper II.

GRADING BREAKDOWN:

1. Tests	45%
2. Attendance and Participation	15%
3. Term paper #1	15% (due Oct. 18, 1988)
4. Term paper #2	15% (due Dec. 6, 1988)
5. Seminar	10%
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TOTAL	100%