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CICE COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE: Introduction to Corrections

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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

An examination of the nature and functions of the principal components of correctional services in Canadian society. Students will examine the history of corrections, correctional law, current models of correctional policy, policy making, correctional structures, treatment programs and their delivery, community based corrections, and the future of corrections in Canada.

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

Upon successful completion of this course, the CICE student, with assistance from a Learning Specialist, will demonstrate a basic knowledge and ability to:

1. Describe the system of Corrections in Canada (Chapter 1)**Potential Elements of the Performance:**

- a. define corrections
- b. outline the legislative framework of corrections
- c. describe the split in correctional jurisdiction
- d. describe the exchange of services agreement
- e. describe the private, not for profit agencies involved with corrections
- f. describe the challenges facing corrections
- g. describe the trends in corrections

2. Describe the various statutes the impact on Corrections federally and provincially (Correctional Law Statutes)**Potential Elements of the Performance:**

- a. list and describe the statutes that impact the operations of correctional jurisdictions
- b. describe the level of law making for correctional statutes and the implication correctional jurisdictions
- c. describe the purpose and major points of each statute as it impacts on correctional jurisdictions

3. Outline and discuss the evolution of punishment and corrections in Canada (Chapter 2 Self Study)**Potential Elements of the Performance:**

- a. discuss the process of correctional change
- b. outline and discuss the various perspectives on punishment and corrections
- c. describe the emergence of punishment and corrections over the past 150 years
- d. highlight the differences between the ideal correctional world and the reality of corrections

4. **Outline alternatives to confinement in prisons/penitentiaries (Chapter 4)**

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- a. identify and outline traditional alternatives the incarceration
- b. identify and outline intermediate sanctions
- c. identify and outline the effectiveness of intermediate sentences
- d. identify and outline the principles and purpose of restorative justice

5. **Outline and discuss institutional corrections (Chapter 5)**

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- a. identify the types of correctional institutions
- b. discuss the structure and operations of institutions
- c. identify and describe prison architecture
- d. discuss the social organization of institutions
- e. identify and discuss the challenges of operating institutions

6. **Outline the role and difficulties of being a correctional officer (Chapter 6)**

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- a. discuss the recruitment, training and roles of officers
- b. identify and discuss the attitudes and orientation of officers
- c. describe the relationship between officers, treatment staff , administration to each other and inmates
- d. identify and discuss sources of stress to correctional employees
- e. identify and discuss the issues and role of female correctional officers

7. **Outline and describe the inmate typology and factors affecting serving time inside a correctional institution. (Chapter 7)**

Potential elements of the Performance:

- a. outline and discuss the impacts of entering and living inside a correctional institution
- b. list and discuss the inmate social system/code
- c. list and describe coping mechanisms used by inmates
- d. understand the patterns of violence and exploitations used by inmates
- e. list and discuss inmate suicides

8. Outline and describe classification , case management and treatment processes (Chapter 8)
Potential elements of the Performance
 - a. outline and describe the tools and techniques used to classify inmates
 - b. outline the case management process
 - c. understand and state the principles of effective treatment
9. Describe the releases processes from institutions (Chapter 9)
Potential elements of the Performance
 - a. describe the purpose and principles of release
 - b. describe and discuss release options
 - c. describe the decision making process for early release
10. Identify and discuss issues affecting re-entry to society and life after prison for inmates (Chapter 10 Self Study)
Potential elements of the Performance
 - a. describe the reintegration process
 - b. describe and explain the pains of reentry for newly released inmates
 - c. Identify and discuss parole supervision
 - d. discuss revocation of parole of conditional release

III. TOPICS:

1. System of Corrections in Canada
2. Correctional Law Statutes
3. Evolution of punishment in Canada
4. Alternatives to confinement
5. Institutional corrections
6. Correctional Officers
7. Inmates
8. Treatment processes
9. Release from Institutions
10. Reentry and Release from institutions

IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

Canadian Corrections, Second Edition, Curt T. Griffiths, Nelson/Thomson Learning, 2004

Students may wish to download legislation from the Internet.

V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:

Correctional Law test	20 marks (Learning Objective 2)
Mid-term exam	30 marks (Learning Objectives 1,4,5)
Final exam	30 marks (Learning Objectives 6-9)
Take home assignment	20 marks (Learning Objectives 3 and 10)

The following semester grades will be assigned to students in postsecondary courses:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Grade Point Equivalent</u>
A+	90 - 100%	4.00
A	80 - 89%	4.0
B	70 - 79%	3.00
C	60 - 69%	2.00
D	50 - 59%	1.00
F	49% or below	0.00
CR (Credit)	Credit for diploma requirements has been awarded.	
S	Satisfactory achievement in field placement or non-graded subject areas.	
U	Unsatisfactory achievement in field placement or non-graded subject areas.	
X	A temporary grade. This is used in limited situations with extenuating circumstances giving a student additional time to complete the requirements for a course (see Policies & Procedures Manual – Deferred Grades and Make-up).	
NR	Grade not reported to Registrar's office. This is used to facilitate transcript preparation when, for extenuating circumstances, it has not been possible for the faculty member to report grades.	
W	Student has withdrawn from the course without penalty.	

NOTE: For such reasons as program certification or program articulation, this course requires a minimum greater than 60% to achieve a passing grade.

The program requires an minimum GPA of 2.0 in order to graduate.

VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

Special Needs:

If you are a student with special needs (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, or learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with your instructor and/or the Special Needs office. Visit Room E1101 or call Extension 2703 so that support services can be arranged for you.

Retention of course outlines:

It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other postsecondary institutions.

Plagiarism:

Students should refer to the definition of “academic dishonesty” in *Student Code of Conduct*. Students who engage in “academic dishonesty” will receive an automatic failure for that submission and/or such other penalty, up to and including expulsion from the course/program, as may be decided by the professor/dean. In order to protect students from inadvertent plagiarism, to protect the copyright of the material referenced, and to credit the author of the material, it is the policy of the department to employ a documentation format for referencing source material.

Course outline amendments:

The Professor reserves the right to change the information contained in this course outline depending on the needs of the learner and the availability of resources.

Substitute course information is available in the Registrar's office.

Test or exam rewrites are not permitted.

All assignments must be typed, double spaced, with a cover page

Failure to notify the professor of test/exam absence prior to the test or exam will result in a “0” mark. Students may be asked to provide a doctor’s note or other documentation for missed tests/exams.

VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT:

Students who wish to apply for advanced credit in the course should consult the professor. Credit for prior learning will be given upon successful completion of a challenge exam or portfolio.

VIII. DIRECT CREDIT TRANSFERS:

Students who wish to apply for direct credit transfer (advanced standing) should obtain a direct credit transfer form from the Dean's secretary. Students will be required to provide a transcript and course outline related to the course in question.

Correctional Law Test (20 marks)

Learning objective 2

Mid term exam (30 marks)

Learning objectives 1, 4, and 5

Final Exam (30 marks)

Learning Objectives 6, 7, 8 , and 9

Take home assignment (20 marks)

Chapter 3 and 10 Self study Chapter questions

Learning Objective 1	- Chapter 1 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 2	- Correctional Law Statutes - class notes/handouts - Class notes
Learning Objective 3	- Chapter 2 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 4	- Chapter 4 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 5	- Chapter 5 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 6	- Chapter 6 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 7	- Chapter 7 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 8	- Chapter 8 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 9	- Chapter 9 - Class notes/handouts
Learning Objective 10	- Chapter 10 - Class notes/handouts

CICE Modifications:**Preparation and Participation**

1. A Learning Specialist will attend class with the student(s) to assist with inclusion in the class and to take notes.
2. Students will receive support in and outside of the classroom (i.e. tutoring, assistance with homework and assignments, preparation for exams, tests and quizzes.)
3. Study notes will be geared to test content and style which will match with modified learning outcomes.
4. Although the Learning Specialist may not attend all classes with the student(s), support will always be available. When the Learning Specialist does attend classes he/she will remain as inconspicuous as possible.

A. Tests may be modified in the following ways:

1. Tests, which require essay answers, may be modified to short answers.
2. Short answer questions may be changed to multiple choice or the question may be simplified so the answer will reflect a basic understanding.
3. Tests, which use fill in the blank format, may be modified to include a few choices for each question, or a list of choices for all questions. This will allow the student to match or use visual clues.
4. Tests in the T/F or multiple choice format may be modified by rewording or clarifying statements into layman's or simplified terms. Multiple choice questions may have a reduced number of choices.

B. Tests will be written in CICE office with assistance from a Learning Specialist.***The Learning Specialist may:***

1. Read the test question to the student.
2. Paraphrase the test question without revealing any key words or definitions.
3. Transcribe the student's verbal answer.
4. Test length may be reduced and time allowed to complete test may be increased.

C. Assignments may be modified in the following ways:

1. Assignments may be modified by reducing the amount of information required while maintaining general concepts.
2. Some assignments may be eliminated depending on the number of assignments required in the particular course.

The Learning Specialist may:

1. Use a question/answer format instead of essay/research format
2. Propose a reduction in the number of references required for an assignment
3. Assist with groups to ensure that student comprehends his/her role within the group
4. Require an extension on due dates due to the fact that some students may require additional time to process information
5. Formally summarize articles and assigned readings to isolate main points for the student
6. Use questioning techniques and paraphrasing to assist in student comprehension of an assignment

D. Evaluation:

Is reflective of modified learning outcomes.