Course Outcome Summary
Required Program Core Course
CRJ 160 Ethical Issues in Criminal Justice

Course Information
Division Humanities/Social Sciences
Course Number CRJ 160
Contact Hours 45
Total Credits 3

Prerequisites
RDG 090 and ENGL 090 or qualifying scores on accepted placement tests.

Course Description
This course looks to develop the ethical decision-making skills that are essential in the field of criminal justice. The course uses current, real-world examples offering comprehensive coverage of ethics across all three arms of the criminal justice system: the police, the courts, and corrections. It combines coverage of the philosophical principles and theories that are the foundation of ethical decision-making with the latest challenges and issues that are unique in criminal justice.

This course is a required core course for students pursuing an AAS in Criminal Justice.

Program Outcomes Addressed by this Course:
Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to meet the program outcomes listed below:

A. Develop knowledge and understanding of the functions and processes of the Criminal Justice System.
B. Using critical thinking skills, develop and use problem solving skills in a variety of situations
C. Explain both substantive and procedural criminal law, criminological concepts and the study of crime and victimology.
D. Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills.
E. Discuss Constitutional protections applied to the criminal justice system.
F. Promote professionalism through the use of ethics and diversity in course offerings.

Course Outcomes
In order to evidence success in this course, students will be able to:

1. Identify the basic ethical principle and the overall systems they apply to.
   - Applies to program outcomes A,B,C,D,F
2. Evaluate and apply the principles of morality, ethics, law, and religion and differentiate each as it applies to the criminal justice system.
   - Applies to program outcomes A,B,C,D,F
3. Identify and analyze the different ethical themes, arguments, and challenges present in modern law enforcement, the courts, and all forms of corrections.
   - Applies to program outcomes A,B,C,D,F
4. Demonstrate the ability to use problem solving skills and ethics to solve a variety of dilemmas encountered in the field of criminal justice.
   - Applies to program outcomes A,B,C,D,F
5. Describe how discretion is at the core of most ethical dilemmas in criminal justice.
   - Applies to program outcomes A,B,C,D,F
6. Explain how corruption occurs at all levels of the criminal justice system.
   - Applies to program outcomes A,B,C,D,F