**CJCR 3900 – Gangs In America**

Credits: 3 Section: \_\_\_\_ Term: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Location & Meeting Time**

Classroom location:

Class Meeting Schedule:

**Contact Information**

**Instructor:**   
**Email:**   
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**Office:**

**Instructor Availability**

Office Hours:

**Course Description & Materials**

*Prerequisites*: CJCR 1100 or permission of chair

Provides students an analysis of criminal gangs: juvenile and adult, street and prison, and male and female, as well as any combination thereof. Topics may include recruitment, initiation, participation, criminal activities and enterprises, exiting/leaving, and possible treatment strategies.

**Required Materials**

[enter textbook, software, tool etc]

**Course Overview**

**Course Purpose and Objectives**

The purpose of CJCR 3900, “Gangs in America,” is to acquaint students with the pervasive influence of gang activity in America.

The goals of this course are to:

* Provide knowledge of the history of gangs in America.
* Provide knowledge of the types of gangs in America.
* Provide knowledge of methods to control gang activity in America.

**Expected Learning Outcomes**

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| Upon completion of the course, students will:   1. Classify the various types of criminal gangs in America 2. Interpret the social processes surrounding the attractiveness of and involvement in gangs in America. 3. Explain the reasons why gangs exist historically and currently in the United States. 4. Appraise the impact of criminal gangs on the American criminal justice system.   **Major Course Topics**   |  | | --- | | * gang recruitment * gang initiation * gang participation * gang-related criminal activities and enterprises * gang exiting/leaving * possible treatment strategies for former gang members | |

**Course Policies**

**Attendance**

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| More than three unexcused absences will result in a letter grade reduction on the final session grade. |

**Assignment and Grading**

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**Other**

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