

Spokane Falls Community College
Course Learning Outcomes and Outline

Prefix and Course Number ICS 230
Course Title Criminal Justice and Re-Entry

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Course Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe correctional systems and purposes of punishment
2. Explain factors related to recidivism and cultural differences in success rates
3. Demonstrate knowledge of re-entry programs and identify successful models
4. Recognize stereotypes and stigma in self and others

Course Outline

- I. Overview of the criminal justice system
 - A. Historic ideas about criminal behaviors and justice
 - B. Criminology
 - C. Prison experience in the United States
 - D. Public safety concerns

- II. Classification of Crimes
 - A. Felonies versus misdemeanors
 - B. Differences between the federal and state court systems
 - C. Sex offenses
 - D. The concept of victimless crimes

- III. Poverty and Crime
 - A. Socioeconomic determinants
 - B. Community impact
 - C. Barriers to re-integration

- IV. The Educational System and Re-entry
 - A. Formerly incarcerated students
 - B. Education in the correctional system
 - C. Transition to colleges and universities

- V. Populations
 - A. Ethnic groups
 - B. Women
 - C. Juveniles

D. Mentally ill individuals

VI. Families of Incarcerated Individuals

- A. Legal financial obligations
- B. Family attitudes and stigma
- C. Intergenerational offending

VII. Current issues and trends

- A. Changing state laws
- B. Policy making
- C. Re-entry organizations
- D. Aging prison populations
- E. Mass incarceration

VIII. The Professional in Corrections and Re-entry

- A. Professions in re-entry and correctional programs
- B. Case management
- C. Ethical issues
- D. Evidence-based practices