

SYLLABUS  
PART I  
EDISON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
CRJ 112S CRIMINAL LAW  
3 CREDIT HOURS

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Overview of substantive and procedural criminal law and how criminal offenses are processed by the criminal justice system. The impact of federal and state constitutional rights on the enactment and enforcement of criminal prohibitions is examined. Criminal Offenses are explained, as well as relevant defenses for crime.

**COURSE GOALS**

The student will:

Bloom's Level		Program Outcomes
2	1. Distinguish between substantive and procedural law.	3
2	2. Explain how federal and state constitutions impact law enforcement.	5
1	3. List the stages of the criminal process, identifying the roles and responsibilities of all parties involved.	4, 9
1	4. Describe the crimes and offenses of each category of substantive law.	3
4	5. Analyze how defenses affect guilt for each type of crime or offense.	5, 9

**CORE VALUES**

The Core Values are a set of principles that guide in creating educational programs and environments at Edison State. They include communication, ethics, critical thinking, human diversity, inquiry/respect for learning, and interpersonal skills/teamwork. The goals, objectives, and activities in this course will introduce/reinforce these Core Values whenever appropriate.

**TOPIC OUTLINE**

1. Fundamentals of criminal law and procedure
2. Organization of the criminal justice system
3. Constitutional limitations on the prohibition of criminal conduct
4. Elements of crimes and parties to crimes
5. Inchoate offenses
6. Offenses against persons
7. Property crimes
8. Offenses against public morality
9. Alcohol and drug offenses
10. White-collar and organized crime
11. Offenses against public health and the environment
12. Offenses against public order, safety, and security
13. Offenses against justice and public administration
14. Criminal responsibility and defenses