

UNIVERSITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD
Extended Academic Programs
CRIJ 1308
Criminalistics
Syllabus

Catalog Description:

This course is an introduction to forensic science. Students will learn the basic applications of crime scene processing through laboratory techniques of identifying and examining physical evidence such as blood, DNA, firearms, and trace evidence. It will also consider the legal implications associated with such examinations and testifying as an expert witness about those theories, processes, and techniques.

Context:

This course is an upper division course in the major elective component of the Criminal Justice degree program. Prerequisite: CRIJ 1301; CRIJ 1325

Course outcomes:	Assessment:
Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:	The objectives will be assessed by:
Demonstrate an understanding of the issues	Knowledge will be assessed by performance on examinations
Demonstrate the ability to think critically and communicate clearly.	Critical thinking, oral communication, and writing will be judged by research papers and classroom discussion and interaction.
Demonstrate the ability to work in groups and clearly demonstrate your knowledge of the topic.	
Be able to analyze a topic and write a research paper.	

Disability Statement

The University is committed to providing a supportive, challenging, diverse, and integrated environment for all students. In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act—Subpart E and Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the University ensures accessibility to its programs, services and activities for qualified students with documented disabilities. For more information contact the Student Disability Services Office: Director, Moises Torrescano; Academic Counselor, Cynthia Pino (Administration Building Room 105; Phone: 210-829-3997; Fax: 210-829-6078).

Policy on Academic Integrity

The highest standards of academic honesty are expected in the course. Forms of academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to cheating, plagiarism, counterfeit work, falsification of academic record, unauthorized reuse of work, theft, and collusion. See the Student Handbook for definitions and procedures for investigation of claims of academic dishonesty.

