

CJT-160 – Criminal Justice Constitutional Law

Course Syllabus

Course Code:

CJT-160

Course Title:

Criminal Justice Constitutional Law

Course Description:

This course is a comprehensive examination of key provisions of the US Constitution, with emphasis on those areas affecting the rights and privileges of individual citizens (e.g. those imparting procedural law). A historical approach is adopted to give students a complete understanding of the mutable nature of the Constitution and those factors which impact it.

Prerequisites:

Academic Reading and Writing Levels of 6. Please refer to WCC's Academic Levels and Course Placement chart found here: <https://www.wccnet.edu/start-now/placement-assessment/academic-levels.php>.

Outcomes and Objectives:

[Please refer to the CJT-160 Master Syllabus](#)

Required Text and Materials:

Please confirm edition with [WCC Website](#) or go to the WCC Bookstore and use the Find the Course Materials feature to view the required and recommended course materials: <https://washtenaw.bncollege.com/course-material/course-finder>

- Constitutional Law and the Criminal Justice System, 5th Edition by Harr and Hess, Thomson Wadsworth, ISBN: 9780495811268

Technical Requirements for Blackboard:

As this is an online course you will need access to a computer or smartphone as this course is taught solely on the Blackboard Learning Management System. Further, you will need to be able to submit documents via Word or PDF.

Class Overview and Guidelines:

Time Commitment

To meet the due dates on the schedule, expect to spend a minimum of 9 hours per week for this 3-credit course.

Grading and Determining Your Grade

- Grades are posted in Blackboard under My Grades.
- Grading is typically completed within a week of the assignment due date, but this varies based on assignment volume.

Your final grade will be based on your writings, Discussion Board posts and quizzes.

Graded Items	Points Each	Points Total
Quizzes (12)	100	1000
Discussion Boards (13)	10	130
Writings (8)	10	80

Course Deadlines and Late Assignments

All assignments, including quizzes, are usually due Sunday night before midnight. This is not a self-paced course. All assignments are due on the indicated dates. Late assignments cannot be accepted. PLEASE DO NOT ASK unless there are extraordinary circumstances. Computer failures do not count as extraordinary circumstances. For this reason, I recommend you do not wait until the last minute to submit your assignments and quizzes. As indicated above, you may skip two quizzes. If you chose to take all 12, I will automatically drop your two lowest scores. BUT PLEASE NOTE: You May Not Skip The Final Exam. It Is Mandatory!.

Communication

Email Communication

- Please send emails from your WCC account to be in compliance with federal privacy regulations. I do not reply to emails from email providers other than WCC.
- Provide a clear subject line and include your course number and section.
- Always include your first and last name in the email message.
- If you submit a question, I will respond. But please let me know you have received my response.

Expectations of Students and Availability of Instructor:

I will usually respond to emails within 24 hours. As my only way of communicating with you is through announcements or emails, you should make a habit of checking your inbox daily.

Academic Integrity:

Plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty will result in discipline according to the [WCC Student Rights & Responsibility guidelines](#). Always complete your own work using your own words. If you do use information, ideas, or words from other sources, credit that source using MLA or APA format.

Accommodation of Special Needs:

[Learning Support Services Department](#) provides support to students who may need accommodation for documented disabilities, or other learning need. WCC will work with you to accommodate any of your individual learning needs, however, I need to know of any requests in advance in order to make the necessary arrangements.

WCC Student Policies and Support Information:

Review the material within the Washtenaw Community College Student Policies and Support Information for additional policies and procedures that affect you and your course. Find this information [on this shared page](#).