

Northwest Arkansas Community College
(Social & Behavioral Sciences Division)

Discipline Code

CMJS

Course Number

2353

Course Title

Victimology

Catalog Description

This course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive overview of theories and research on victims of crime. Particular attention is devoted to the nature of and extent of victimization, the etiology of victimization, the victim and the criminal justice system, victim services, and the victim rights movement. In addition, this course will focus attention on the criminal justice system's response to special victim group, such as the elderly, minorities, and victims of domestic violence.

Prerequisites

N/A

Credit Hours

3 credit hours

Contact hours

45 contact hours

Load hours

3 load hours

Semesters Offered

On Demand

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

Students completing this course will:

- Recognize the history of the relatively new science of victimology.
- Analyze the various theories of victimization.
- Recognize the circumstances that led to the rise of the victim's rights movement.
- Describe important legislation that altered the victim's role in the criminal justice system.
- Explain what "restorative justice" is and how it differs from standard criminal justice proceedings.
- Analyze the psychological and sociological effects of being victimized.
- Describe how the study of the victims of crime differs from standard criminal justice courses.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- N/A

Standard Practices

Topics list

- N/A

Learning activities

- N/A

Assessments

- N/A

Grading guidelines

- N/A