

## **CJ 311 - Victimology**

3 Credit Hours

This course provides an overview of victimology. Whereas traditional criminal justice focused almost exclusively on the offender and the criminal justice system, contemporary approaches also focus on the victims of crime. Students will gain an understanding of victimization, its patterns, and the relationship between victims, offenders, the legal system, and society. Students will understand how crime impacts victims, methods aimed at helping victims cope with the consequences of crime, victims' rights, and the importance of victim-inclusive criminal justice policies.