# JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**State University of New York** 

## MASTER COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Gangs and Criminal Justice

Course Abbreviation and Number: CRI 1730 Credit Hours: 1 credit hour. Course Type: Lecture

**Course Description:** Students will learn the development and history of gangs in the United States which includes

studying different criminal enterprises in which gangs are involved and solutions to the gang problems.

Prerequisite/Corequisite: CRI 1510.

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- 1. Understand the basis for the formation of gangs and the reasons for participation by gang members.
- 2. Identify and analyze codes, graffiti, signs, symbols, and tattoos of various gangs.

### **Topics Covered:**

- Familiarization of gangs in criminal justice settings with focus on:
  - Gang identifies
  - History
  - Structure
  - Recruitment and interrelationship that religion imparts on criminal subculture
- Criminological explanations of gang activity as presented by early researches and theorists

#### **Information for Students**

- Expectations of Students
  - Civility Statement (<a href="http://www.sunyjcc.edu/current-students/classroom-civility">http://www.sunyjcc.edu/current-students/classroom-civility</a>)
  - Student Responsibility Statement (<a href="http://www.sunyjcc.edu/academics/student-responsibility">http://www.sunyjcc.edu/academics/student-responsibility</a>)
  - Academic Integrity (http://www.sunvjcc.edu/faculty-staff/academic-integrity)
- Disability/Special Services
  - Any student who requires accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability should make their needs known to the Coordinator of Accessibility Services, 716.338.1251.
- Emergency Closing Procedures (http://www.sunyjcc.edu/student-life/campus-safety/jcc-alert)
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

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• Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.

Effective Date: Fall 2019