

# SWPS-217: Criminal Justice I

(Advanced course) Focuses on the cyclical nature of criminal justice policies, elements of the systems, key legal decisions, and the meaning of this system for blacks and other minorities and persons of color and the role of social workers in the field of criminal justice. Emphasis is placed on understanding the theoretical basis of crime and crime causation. One of six Field of practice specialization options. May be taken as elective in second year in regular degree program, or second or third semester in Advanced Standing program.

**Credits:** 3

**Program:** Social Welfare Policy & Services