## CJ 300: THEORIES OF CRIME CAUSATION (W)

In this course, we will delve into the major theories that seek to explain why individuals engage in criminal activities. Students will critically analyze and evaluate these theories in the context of contemporary issues in criminology, and read and critique a selection of classic and contemporary scholarly monographs in the field. Through a comprehensive and critical examination of these theories, students will gain a deep understanding of the factors that contribute to criminal behavior and the social, psychological, and environmental forces at play.

Credits: 3 Prerequisites: CJ 211 Department: Criminal Justice