

**Northwestern CT Community College  
Course Syllabus**

**Course Title:** Intro to Corrections

**Course #:** CJS 102

**Course Description:** 3 Semester Hours

A study of the history, philosophy, and evolution of corrections as well as the functions of U.S. jails and prisons. The course also examines the procedures used by state and federal courts that result in sentencing of offenders to penal institutions and community-based supervision and treatment programs.

**Pre-requisite/Co-requisite:**

Prerequisites: CJS101 (Introduction to Criminal Justice) and English 096

**Goals:** To familiarize students with various models within the national correctional system within the United States, examination of correctional philosophies, sentencing, and correctional treatment programs.

**Outcomes:** Upon completion of the course the student should be able to:

- Discuss the history and development of modern corrections.
- Identify and apply various correctional philosophies.
- Discuss and interpret current organizational and management approaches used by modern correctional institutions.
- Examine and explain Community Based Corrections and correctional diversion programs.
- Demonstrate and evaluate prisoner rights and protections within correctional facilities.
- Describe the role of corrections within the criminal justice system
- Translating the acclimation of the released subject back to society
- Demonstrate and discuss various correctional models, recognizing the best model based on best practices and funding
- Compare and contrast the moral, ethical and legal obligations of correctional professionals