

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY  
ADJ 241 - CORRECTIONAL LAW (3 CR.)**

**Course Description**

Studies the legal rights and obligations of the convict-probationer, inmate, and parolee. Surveys methods of enforcing both rights and obligations and the responsibilities of corrections agencies and personnel under correction law (constitutional, statutory, and regulatory provisions). Lecture 3 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose**

The purpose of this course is to provide the student with the rights and responsibilities of inmates as provided under current constitutional, statutory, and regulatory provisions, and how to comply with these laws and provisions in the operation and management of correctional facilities.

**Course Prerequisites/Corequisites**

None

**Course Objectives**

Upon completion of this course, the student should have:

- A basic knowledge of the rights and responsibilities of inmate as provided under current constitution, statutory, and regulatory provisions
- Gained knowledge of methods, procedures, and techniques for complying with these provisions in the management and operation of correctional facilities

**Major Topics To Be Included**

- History of the rights and responsibilities of inmates and the rights and responsibilities of the manager of correctional facilities
- Basic responsibilities of the management
- Basic responsibilities of the inmate
- Laws, regulations and court decisions regarding:
  - Use of force
  - Visitation, mail, and access to the media
  - Access to the courts
  - Freedom of speech and expression
  - Religion and race
  - Rights of privacy and property
  - Disciplinary procedures/rights
  - Grievance procedures/rights
  - Rights regarding transfer
  - Right to humane living conditions
  - Rights of persons on probation and parole
- Methods, procedures, and techniques for providing for laws, regulations, and court decisions

**EXTRA TOPICS (optional)**

Related topics at the discretion of the instructor