



Course Description for Law Minor Paper 3

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: Law Minor Paper 3-Criminal Justice Administration

(UG/PG): UG, semester 3

Number of Credits: 4 (60 hours)

Level: 3

Course Description:

The maintenance of law and order in a given society involves striking a balance of conflicting interests. Criminal Law has to be just, fair and reasonable, to the accused as well as to the victim. It also imposes a duty upon those connected with it, to abide by law and to exercise discretions conferred upon them, in a judicious way. 'Criminal Justice Administration' involves a blend of all these socio-political aspirations, and the institutional means to achieve them. Any criticism against any system of criminal justice cannot be fairly pitched until one gets a broad outlook of what it is like to be managing competing goals in the volatile, pluralistic social environment we call India.

It seeks to help students to develop an all round perspective to look at phenomena of 'crime', and to cultivate a balanced viewpoint towards some of the systemic soft spots. It also aims to help them to be able to co relate tasks of various stakeholders in Criminal Justice Administration.

The course is meant to appraise the students with some fundamentals about concept of 'crime' and the Justice Administration Models in India. It also covers the challenges before the justice-dispensing mechanisms, and the inherent pitfalls that it attempts to surmount.