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M: Course Objectives/Learning Outcomes:

By the conclusion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe the socio-cultural context in which youth crime and its response occurs.
2. Discuss the historical evolution of Canada's legal response to youth crime.
3. Describe characteristics of young offenders as indicated in social science research.
4. Evaluate the models of juvenile justice.
5. Apply theories of crime to youth misconduct.
6. Construct a legal analysis of the Youth Criminal Justice Act.
7. Critically analyze the Youth Criminal Justice Act.
8. Describe effective crime prevention programs involving youth.
9. Compare Canada's response to young offenders to that of other countries.
10. Analyze one or more related topics of the instructor's choice.

N: Course Content:

1. Socio-cultural Context of Youth Crime
2. The Models of Juvenile Justice
3. Theoretical Exploration of Youth Criminality
4. The Measurement of Youth Crime
5. The History of Legal Responses to Youth Crime in Canada
6. The Youth Criminal Justice Act
7. Youth Corrections
8. The Prevention of Youth Crime
9. Special Topics in Youth Justice

O: Methods of Instruction:

This course will employ a number of instructional methods to accomplish its objectives and will include some of the following:

- ▶ lectures
- ▶ audio visual aids
- ▶ guest speakers
- ▶ field trips
- ▶ class discussion

