SPECIAL NOTE:
This brief syllabus is not intended to be a legal contract. A full syllabus will be distributed to students at the first class session.

TEXT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS USED IN THE COURSE (if any):
Please check with the LCC bookstore http://www.labette.edu/bookstore for the required texts for this class.

COURSE NUMBER: CRIM 125
COURSE TITLE: PROBATION AND PAROLE
SEMESTER CREDIT HOUR: 3
DEPARTMENT: Criminal Justice
DIVISION: General Education
PREREQUISITE: None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
An overall study designed to provide the student with an overview of the probation and parole systems and to assist the student in developing skills for applying professional knowledge and current concepts to actual practice. The course is designed to show the student historical and descriptive information to acquaint the student with past and present concerns of the professional. The class will describe many of the actual responsibilities of probation and parole officers and allow the students to test their skills through the use of hypothetical cases and exercises.

COURSE OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

1. Trace the historical development of the probation system from its beginnings to current day.
   - Have a good concept of the inner workings of the probation system.
   - Demonstrate knowledge of the purpose of the Pre-Sentence Investigation Report and what its requirements are.
   - Have knowledge regarding the various treatment programs available and the handling of juvenile offenders placed on probation.

2. Have knowledge of and understand the actual role that parole has in the overall criminal justice system.
   - Identify the relationship between community-based corrections and other elements of the criminal justice system.
   - Comprehend the differences between determinate and indeterminate sentencing.
   - Understand the impact of legal decisions that affect both probation and parole.
3. Understand the role that rehabilitation and supervision have in regards to probation & parole.

- Demonstrate knowledge of common management techniques and punishments utilized to supervise offenders in the community including the supervision of sex offenders, substance abuse offenders and offenders with HIV/AIDS.
- Discuss future trends and issues in probation and parole.