THEORIES OF CRIME CAUSATION

I. **Course Code:** CTHEOCRIM

II. **Course Name:** THEORIES OF CRIME CAUSATION

III. **Course Description:** This course describes the role of theory in crime scholarship. It surveys the major schools of thought related to crime causation (biological, psychological and sociological) and particular theories in crime and delinquency, places these theories in its historical context and reviews the primary assumptions of the theories and conclusions reached from criminology research.

IV. **Course Learning outcomes:**
   - **CLO1:** Conduct Criminological research on theories of crime causation as well of biological, psychological, sociological and integrated influences on criminal behavior by distinguishing them from a variety of theoretical elements.
   - **CLO2:** Collaborate effectively and independently in multi-disciplinary and multi-cultural teams about the different theories of crime.
   - **CLO3:** Engage in lifelong learning and understanding of the need to keep abreast on the developments in the different theories of crime causation as a field criminology and criminal justice.
   - **CLO4:** Apply professional, social, and ethical standards in the studying theories of crime causation.

V. **No. of Units:** Lec: 3  Lab: 0

VI. **Pre-Requisite:** CINTCRIM

VII. **No. of Hours Per Week:** 3

VIII. **Course Outline:**

   **Midterm**
   - Elements of a theory
   - Empirical basis for criminological theories
   - Supernatural Explanations
   - Foundational Theories
   - Rational Choice Perspectives
   - Trait Theories

   **Final**
   - Social Structural Perspectives
   - Critical Perspective
   - Developmental Perspective
   - Contrasting similar theories in Crime causation

IX. **References:**
X. **Requirements:** Comply and pass all academic requirements

XI. **Computation of Grades:** The passing score is 50% of the total items in the examinations, while the passing grade for the semester is 75% or 3.00. The basis for the computation of the semester grade is as follows:

- **Midterm grade:** 70% Class standing and 30% midterm examination
- **Final Grade:** 70% Class standing and 30% final examination
- **Semester grade:** 50% midterm grade and 50% final grade