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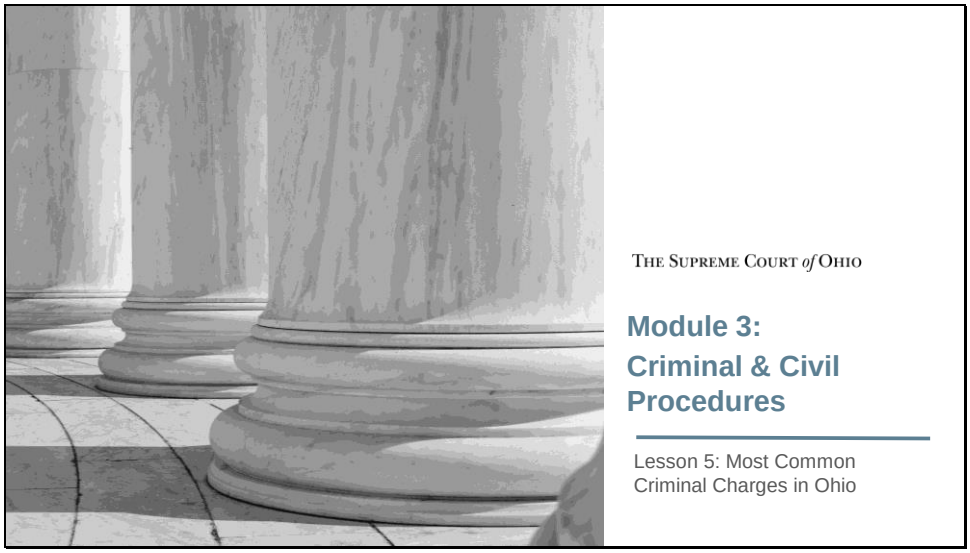
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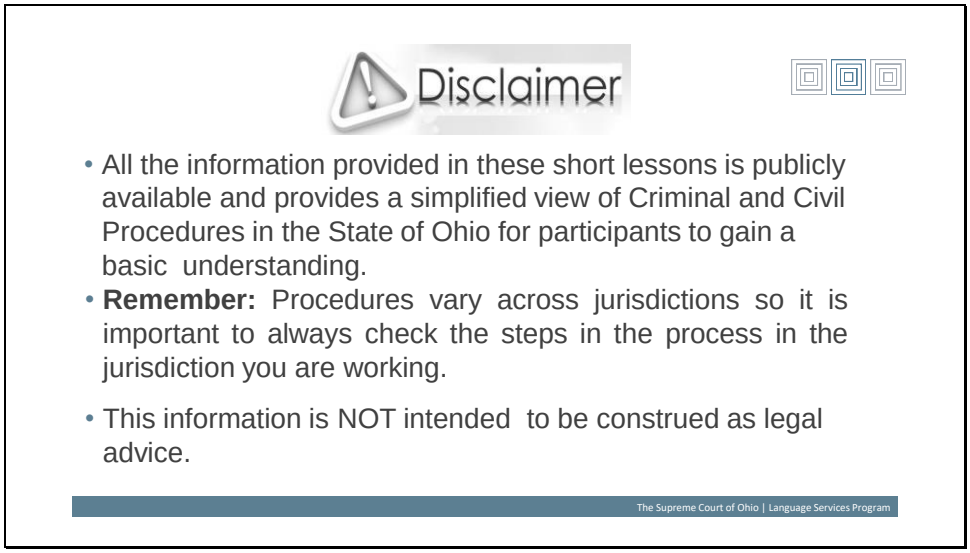
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• All the information provided in these short lessons is publicly available and provides a simplified view of Criminal and Civil Procedures in the State of Ohio for participants to gain a basic understanding.
• Remember: Procedures vary across jurisdictions so it is important to always check the steps in the process in the jurisdiction you are working.
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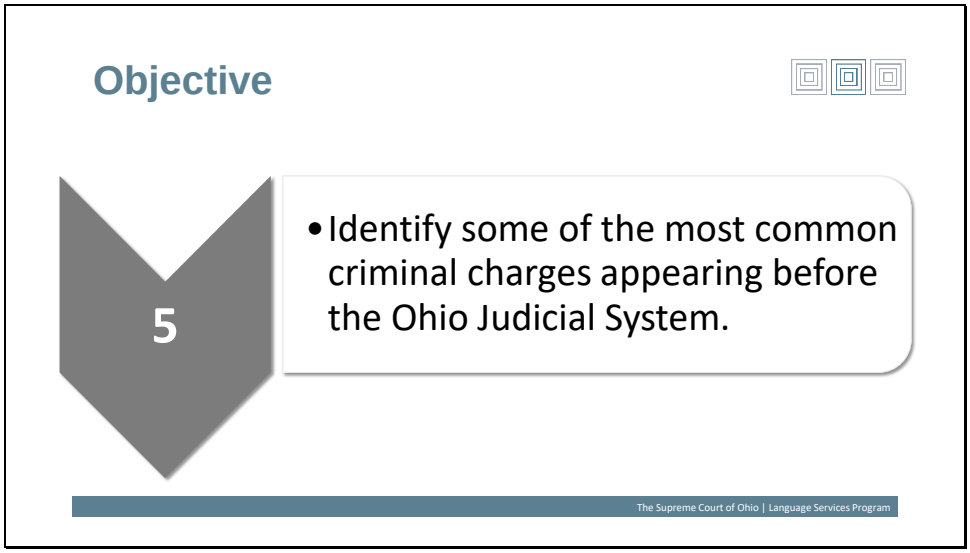
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• Identify some of the most common criminal charges appearing before the Ohio Judicial System.
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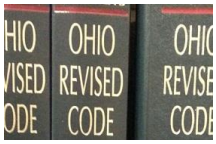
The Ohio Legislature

Ohio Revised Code

- The general laws of the state of Ohio. The Revised Code is organized into 31 general titles broken into chapters dealing with individual topics of law. The chapters are divided into sections which contain the text of individual statutes. The laws are collected and published in the Ohio Revised Code (ORC or RC).



https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/laws/ohio-codes

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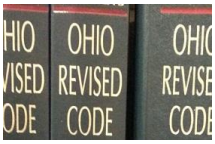
Rules of Criminal Procedure

- The Ohio Rules of Court establish the Rules of Practice and Procedure in the Ohio Courts. When discussing criminal matters one would use the Rules of Criminal Procedure as well as the Ohio Revised Code, Title XXIX primarily.



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Most Common Criminal Charges

- ASSAULT - Any willful attempt or threat to inflict injury upon the person of another, when coupled with the present ability to do so, and any intentional display of force such as would give victim reason to fear or expect immediate bodily harm

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Most Common Criminal Charges

- SEX OFFENSES is the name of the broader category of offenses ranging from indecent exposure to sexual assault and rape.

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- RAPE - Unlawful intercourse with an individual without their consent

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- HOMICIDE - The unlawful killing of one human being by another.

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- ROBBERY - The act of taking money, personal property, or any other article of value that is in the possession of another done by means of force or fear

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Most Common Criminal Charges

- LARCENY - Stealing or theft
- THEFT - The act of stealing or the taking of property without the owner's consent

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Most Common Criminal Charges

- BURGLARY - The act of entering or remaining illegally in a movable or immovable structure, vehicle or dwelling with intent to commit a felony.

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Common Misdemeanor Offenses Include Those Concerning:

- Assault
- Disorderly Conduct
- Alcohol related offenses
- Petty Theft
- Prostitution
- Trespassing
- Drug Possession/Abuse

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Lesson Five Review

Key Points to Remember

JUST A LITTLE Reminder

- The Ohio Revised Code and the Rules of Criminal Procedure provide the guidelines for criminal matters as well as define what the cases are called and where these cases are heard in the Ohio courts.
- While every case is unique, there are plenty of common criminal charges (felonies and misdemeanors) heard by the Ohio courts. In some instances, the names may be the same but the severity of the offense and the penalties can be different.

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Individual Activity

Handout 5: Complete the exercise: Identify a definition for the list of criminal offenses and, if possible, where these are located in the ORC.

Sample of common criminal offenses and a general definition	