# Learning Objectives

## Chapter 10

After reading this chapter, students should be able to:

1. Describe the pattern of offending that characterizes adolescence-limited offenders.
2. Discuss the major biological and social changes that take place during adolescence and that increase the likelihood of delinquency.
3. Draw on the leading theories of delinquency to explain why these changes increase delinquent behavior.
4. Describe the pattern of offending that characterizes life-course persistent offenders.
5. Explain why life-course persistent offenders offend at high rates over the course of their lives.