# Learning Objectives

## Chapter 13

After reading this chapter, students should be able to:

1. Identify and describe the major traits, or clusters of traits, that are associated with delinquent behavior.
2. Draw on the leading theories to explain why these traits affect delinquency.
3. Explain why some individuals are more likely to possess these traits.
4. Describe the types of studies researchers conduct to examine the role of genes in the development of delinquency.
5. Describe how genetic inheritance, biological harm, and environmental factors may contribute to traits conducive to delinquency.
6. Summarize the relationship between mental illness and violence.