

CJC -121 Law Enforcement Operations

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisites: There are no prerequisites.

Corequisites: None

Course description. This course introduces fundamental law enforcement operations. Topics include the contemporary evolution of law enforcement operations and related issues. Upon completion, students should be able to explain theories, practices, and issues related to law enforcement operations.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completing requirements for this course, the student will be able to:

1. Understand the foundation of policing
2. Understand a career in policing
3. Know the core functions of policing
4. Understand the legal issues in policing
5. Know the challenges in policing

OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION:

- I. Origins and Evolution of American Policing
 - A. The Origin of Policing
 - B. Beyond Local Law Enforcement

- II. The Law Enforcement Agencies and Structure
 - A. Agencies of Law Enforcement
 - B. The Police Organization
 - C. Policing in American Government
 - D. Private Policing and Security

- III. Law Enforcement Careers
 - A. Hire and Training
 - B. The Academy and Field Training
 - C. Diversity and Discrimination

- IV. Police Subculture
 - A. Police Culture
 - B. Sources of Police Subculture
 - C. Components of Police Subculture
 - i. Control Territory
 - ii. Use of Force

- iii. Danger, Unpredictability and Suspicion
- iv. Solidarity

- V. Core Police Functions
 - A. Police Mission
 - B. Patrol
 - C. Protecting and Serving
 - D. Investigations

- VI. Community Policing
- VII. Policing and the Law
- VIII. Civil Liability and Accountability
- IX. Ethics and Professionalism

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIAL:

The instructor will determine the textbook and other instructional material.