COURSE INFORMATION FORM

DISCIPLINE
Law Enforcement

COURSE TITLE
Criminal Investigations I for Law Enforcement

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION

This course will present an introduction to law enforcement criminal investigations. This course presents theory of investigation, procedures at a crime scene, collection and preservation of physical evidence, source of information, questioning of witnesses and suspects, preliminary and follow-up investigation, and case and trial preparation.

PREREQUISITES

POST Compliance Review, LWEN 101 with a grade of C or higher

EXPECTED STUDENT OUTCOMES IN THE COURSE (ESO)

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Demonstrate how to process and investigate a crime scene.
2. Compare interrogation vs. interview process.
3. Use basic knowledge of case and trial preparation.
4. Identify the difference between an interview and an interrogation.
5. Identify the major guidelines for the officer-informant relationship.
6. Identify the elements of proper courtroom demeanor.
7. Identify the elements of a successful criminal investigation.
8. Demonstrate proficiencies in the following Peace Officer Standards and Testing (POST) categories: 1100 - CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION.
GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES (ESO)
Specify which general education outcomes, if any, are substantially addressed by the course. Numbers in parentheses identify the Expected Student Outcomes linked to the specific General Education Outcome.

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PROGRAM-LEVEL OUTCOMES

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM OUTCOMES
Specify which Career and Technical program outcomes, if any, are substantially addressed by the course by completing the “Career and Technical Education template” to show the relationship between course and program outcomes to assessment measures.

1. Demonstrate the ability to understand and apply basic law enforcement procedures and theories of investigations.
2. Demonstrate interrogation and interview process.
3. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the criminal justice process from point of contact to trial.
4. Identify and articulate general provisions and rules that law enforcement officers must follow when dealing with contact, detention, arrest and search and seizure of evidence.
5. Identify the guidelines for proper collection and chain of control of evidence.
6. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the appropriate methods to be utilized in the Investigation of County and Municipal offenses.
7. Identify the types of assaults, burglaries, and death scene investigation.
8. Identify criminal offenses and Missouri crime statues that applies to the offense.
10. Demonstrate and identify the proper writing skills to prepare the various legal report forms for law enforcement.
11. Demonstrate practical interviewing skills to obtain information for investigative report writing.
12. Demonstrate an understanding of the duties, responsibilities and techniques of modern law enforcement patrol activities.
13. Identify the techniques and responsibilities for handling various types of calls to include calls for domestic violence, high risk vehicles stops and, crimes in progress.
14. Demonstrate an understanding of the Missouri Traffic Code and Regulations.
15. Demonstrate the proper procedures to process a scene of an accident to include interviewing witnesses.

CLASS-LEVEL ASSESSMENT MEASURES
Student accomplishment of expected student outcomes may be assessed using the following measures. (Identify which measures are used to assess which outcomes.)

1. Practical Application Exam (1-3)
2. Multiple Choice Exam (1-8)
3. Writing Assignments (1-8)
Individual instructors may order this outline as fits the needs of their individual courses. In addition, they may place more emphasis on some areas than on others. What is assured is that this particular list is covered in the course. Other topics may be added to a course as the instructor sees fit, and as time and interest allow. An *asterisk can be used to mark an item as optional.

I. Introduction to Basic Investigation
II. Crime Scene Processing & Investigation
   A. Physical Evidence
   B. Crime Scene Searches
   C. Crime Scene Photography
   D. Evidence Collection
   E. Marking Evidence
   F. Packaging Evidence
   G. Special Evidence Handling
   H. Crime Scene Searches
   I. Fingerprint Evidence
   J. Interrogation Process
   K. Informant Use
III. Case & Trial Preparation
IV. Crime Scene Practical
V. Processing and Documentation