



Criminal Justice Court System & Practices

Course Syllabus: Spring 2017 CJLE 1306.99

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The information contained in this syllabus is subject to change without notice. Students are expected to be aware of any additional course policies presented by the instructor during the course.

Catalog Course Description (include prerequisites): Three Credit hours. A study of the judiciary in the Criminal Justice System; structure of the American Court System; prosecution; right to counsel; pre-trial release; grand juries; adjudication process types of rules of evidence; sentencing. Three hours of class each week.

Required Textbook(s):

Lexis Nexis/ Texas Criminal Law & Motor Vehicle Handbook

Publisher: Matthew Bender & Company, Inc

ISBN Number: 978-0-7698-7271-1

Recommended Reading(s):

Jones/ Police Academy Cadet Study Guide/ Workbook SKU 10160718

Jones/Police Academy Package SKU 10020272

Jones/Standard Field Sobriety SKU 10201732

American Heart Ass./Hearts Saver First Aid /w CPR 0-87493-478-8

Student Learning Outcomes:

1. The student will be able to provide an overview of the roles, functions and structure of the judiciary as a component of the criminal justice system.
2. The student will be able to explain the principals of “due process” and procedural rules which guide the operations of the judiciary
3. The student will gain an understanding of: prosecution, the right to legal counsel, pretrial procedures and releases, the grand jury and petit juries, the adjudication process (trials), types of evidence and rules of evidence and sentencing (to include discussions of juvenile sentencing).

Exemplary Educational Objectives:

SCANS Skills:

Academic transfer

Lectures & Discussions:

Two hours of lecture a week and five hours of lab each week.

Evaluation/Grading Policy:

Academy: 80% passing

Tests/Exams:

All tests are objective by type

Assignments:**Other Course Requirements:**

All Cadets will need Scantrons for taking tests, as well as a monition.

Student Responsibilities/Expectations:

Cadets must be in Uniform at all times, unless otherwise directed so.

NTCC Academic Honesty Statement:

"Students are expected to complete course work in an honest manner, using their intellects and resources designated as allowable by the course instructor. Students are responsible for addressing questions about allowable resources with the course instructor. NTCC upholds the highest standards of academic integrity. This course will follow the NTCC Academic Honesty policy stated in the Student Handbook."

Academic Ethics

The college expects all students to engage in academic pursuits in a manner that is beyond reproach. Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuit. Academic dishonesty such as cheating, plagiarism, and collusion is unacceptable and may result in disciplinary action. Refer to the student handbook for more information on this subject.

ADA Statement:

It is the policy of NTCC to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals who are students with disabilities. This College will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to arrange an appointment with a College counselor to obtain a Request for Accommodations form. For more information, please refer to the NTCC Catalog or Student Handbook.

Family Educational Rights And Privacy Act (FERPA):

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's educational records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are considered "eligible students." In essence, a parent has no legal right to obtain information concerning the child's college records without the written consent of the student. In compliance with FERPA, information classified as "directory information" may be released to the general public without the written consent of the student unless the student makes a request in writing. Directory information is defined as: the student's name, permanent address and/or local address, telephone listing, dates of attendance, most recent previous education

institution attended, other information including major, field of study, degrees, awards received, and participation in officially recognized activities/sports.

Other Course Policies:

No Cell phones, I-pads or computers allowed in the Criminal Justice Center.