LAW ENFORCEMENT (CJSA)

CJSA 1308
Criminalistics I
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers an introduction to the field of criminalistics. Topics include the application of scientific and technical methods in the investigation of crime including location, identification, and handling of evidence for scientific analysis.
Prerequisites: None.

CJSA 1312
Crime in America
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers American crime problems in historical perspective; social and public policy factors affecting crime; impact and crime trends; social characteristics of specific crimes; and prevention of crime.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1313
Court Systems and Practices
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers 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 and rules of evidence, and sentencing.
Prerequisites: None.

CJSA 1322
Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers the history and philosophy of criminal justice and ethical considerations; crime is defined, as well as its nature and impact. The course also includes an overview of the criminal justice system, law enforcement, the court system, prosecution and defense, the trial process and corrections.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1325
Criminology
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers current theories and empirical research pertaining to crime and criminal behavior and its causes, methods of prevention, systems of punishment, and rehabilitation.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1327
Fundamentals of Criminal Law
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course is a study of the nature of criminal law, philosophical and historical development, major definitions and concepts, classification of crime, elements of crimes and penalties using Texas statutes as illustrations, and criminal responsibility.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1348
Ethics in Criminal Justice
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course discusses ethical philosophies and issues pertaining to the various professions in the criminal justice system. It includes ethical issues emanating from constitutional conflict with public protection and individual rights, civil liberties, and correctional policies.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1351
Use of Force
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course is the study of the use of force including introduction to and statutory authority for the use of force, force options, deadly force, and related legal issues. Fulfills the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Use of Force Intermediate Certificate requirement. This course was designed to be repeated multiple times to improve student proficiency.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1359
Police System and Practices
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers the police profession, organization of law enforcement systems, the police role, police discretion, ethics, police-community interaction, and current and future issues.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 1400
Death Investigation I
CRT HRS:4 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:3 OTH HRS:0
This course covers concepts, investigations process, scene management, required documentation, and case management for incidences of natural, accidental, and suicidal deaths. Follows the Department of Justice National Guidelines for Death Investigations and meets the criteria for academic credit recognition from the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators.
Prerequisite: None.

CJSA 2300
Legal Aspects of Law Enforcement
CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0
This course covers police authority; responsibilities; constitutional constrains; laws of arrest, search, and seizure; police liability.
Prerequisites: None.