

LAW ENFORCEMENT (CJSA)

CJSA 1302

Private Security Officer Training

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:2 LAB HRS:2 OTH HRS:0

A critical study of the provisions of the Texas Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies Act. Topics include the impact of the code on procedures and policies, judicial interpretation of statutes and related procedures, and rules and regulations. Satisfies the requirements for Commissioned Security Officer Skill Certification.

Prerequisites: None.

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 1347

Police Organization and Administration

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is the study of principles of organizational structure and administration. Topics include theories of management, motivation, and leadership. Focus on a quality approach toward police community interaction.

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 1373

Police Liability and Risk Management

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course is the study of the liability and risks facing law enforcement agencies in today's litigious society.

Prerequisites: 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 constraints; laws of arrest, search, and seizure; police liability.

Prerequisites: None.

CJSA 2302

Police Management, Supervision, and Related Topics

CRT HRS:3 LEC HRS:3 LAB HRS:0 OTH HRS:0

This course studies the techniques and theories regarding dealing with people, their performance, and problems. Topics include basic supervision, leadership, time management, first-line supervision, and management by objectives.

Prerequisites: None.