Course Name: Police and the Community

Course Number: CJS*E120

Credits: 3

Catalog description:

An analysis of the problems of the police as they relate to the community and the procedures used by departments to meet those problems. Students will be given the opportunity to study the police role in relation to sociological and psychological dynamics of the community. The student will become knowledgeable in practices which foster positive community relations and police-citizen communication.

Prerequisite: CJS*E101- Introduction to Criminal Justice; PSY*E111 – General Psychology I; SOC*E101- Principles of Sociology

Corequisite, or Parallel:

General Education Competencies Satisfied:

HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s): None

Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs: None

Embedded Competency(ies): None

Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s): None

Course objectives:

General Education Goals and Outcomes:

None

Course Specific Objectives:

I.   Develop knowledge regarding careers in policing and law enforcement.
2.   Develop knowledge of psychological/sociological impacts on the criminal justice system.
3.   Develop knowledge of historical/political impact on the criminal justice system.
4.   Develop an ability to speak to groups.

5. Improve professional interpersonal communication skills.
6. Develop active listening skills.
7. Understand special ethical issues in the law enforcement profession.

Course Content:

Introduction to Police & Community Relations
   (a) definition
   b) history

Public Relations/Community Relations
   (a) definitions
   (b) processes

Police in Society
   (a) roles
   (b) role conflicts

Being a Cop
   (a) police world view
   (b) police culture
   (c) insanity
   (d) mistake
   (e) others

Specific Types of Crimes
   (a) crimes against persons
   (b) property crimes
   (c) sex crimes
   (d) public order crimes
   (e) others

Special Issues

Date Course Created:

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