

AJ 111: CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMUNICATION

Proposer:

Name:

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Effective Term:

Fall 2021

Credit Status: Credit - Degree Applicable

Subject:

AJ - Administration of Justice Course Number:

Catalog Title Criminal Justice Communication

Catalog Description

This course covers techniques of communicating facts, information in corrections and probation law enforcement reports, letters, memoranda, and directives. Practical experience is offered in note taking, report writing and presentation of courtroom testimony. Introduction to technology used in criminal justice and corrections.

Prerequisites

AJ 011 or equivalent college course with a minimum grade of C

Validation

Validation Type Sequential - Same Discipline

Course AJ 011

Complete the Prerequisite/Corequisite Objectives and provide sound quantitative research to document the need for the requisite.

Method of Instruction:

Distance Education Lecture and/or Discussion

Course Units/Hours:

Course Units Minimum:

3

Lecture Hours Minimum (week)

3

0

Lab Hours Minimum (week)

0

Activity Hours Minimum (week)

0

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Total Contact Hours Minimum (semester) 52.5

Total Outside Hours Minimum (semester) 105

Total Student Learning Minimum Hours (semester) 157.5

Repeatability: No

Open Entry/Exit: No

Field Trips: Not Required

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

TOP Code: 210500 - * Administration of Justice

SAM Code: C - Clearly Occupational

Course Content

Methods of Assessment:

Essay quizzes or exams Mulitple choice tests Oral presentations Skill demonstrations Written essays or extended papers

Course Topics:

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Reports, the English Language, and Police Jargon
The Art of Note-Taking
The Parts of the Narrative Case Report
The Basics of English Grammar
First Officer on Scene
Types of Reports
Traffic Summons/Tickets and Crash Reports
Types of Statements
Misdemeanor Crimes Involving People and Property
Felony Crimes Involving Property
Felony Crimes Against People
Documentation of the Use of Force
Probable Cause Affidavits, Arrest Warrants, and Search Warrants
Miscellaneous Forms
Correctional Forms and Reports
Computer Aided Report Writing Technology

Course Objectives:

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1	collect and analyze information, and record the information in the appropriate written format for corrections, probation or law enforcement.
2	demonstrate a basic understanding of computer aided report writing.
3	demonstrate an understanding of proper courtroom testimony.
4	identify and describe the operation and application of computer report-writing technologies.
5	select and complete the proper organizational forms associated with the day-to-day operations of a corrections, probation and law enforcement organization.

Course Outcomes:

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1	Within the legal and constitutional parameters of the law, students will be able to write a report that accurately reflects their observations.
2	Students will complete contemporary law enforcement and corrections forms inclusive of, but not limited to crime reports, incident reports, accident investigation reports, probation reports, and others as necessary.
3	Students will be introduced to computer report-writing technology, and will be able to explain their benefits, and limitations.
4	Students will be able to identify those testimonial strategies commonly associated with the courtroom adversarial environment.
5	Students will be able to utilize proper inter-and intra-communication techniques and strategies, to achieve a desired resolution.

Assignments:

Assignment Type:	Details
Reading	Reading assignments typically associated with this particular course of instruction may include, but are not limited to: - Students are required to read the assigned chapter, and answer at least two of the chapter review questions. - Students are required to read the assigned chapter, and complete a short chapter quiz each week. - Students are expected to read the assigned chapter(s) each week in preparation for classroom discussion.
Writing	 Writing assignments typically associated with this particular course of instruction may include, but are not limited to: Students are required to identify at least one current course specific criminal justice issue that is in the news (print or electronic) and write a one to two page observation paper, relating course content to their response. Students are required to prepare written documents (outline, test questions, resources and expert interview information) in support of their chosen presentation assignment. Students are required to write applicable reports relating to law enforcement, corrections and probation
Homework	 Homework assignments typically associated with this particular course of instruction may include, but are not limited to: Students are expected to read the assigned chapter(s) each week in preparation for classroom participation. Students are required to read the assigned chapter(s) and define key terms associated with the content of each chapter. Students are expected to do research work and otherwise prepare for their respective presentations as required for this course.

Textbooks or other support materials

Resource Type:	Details
Books	Report Writing for Law Enforcement and Corrections Professionals - Morris, K., 1st Edition 2018



Transferable to CSU Yes - Approved

CSU General Education Transferable to CSU

This course will also be proposed for UC transfer. No

Other Degree Attributes Degree Applicable Not a Basic Skills Course

Distance Learning Addendum DLA DE AJ 2020-1.pdf

Banner Title: Criminal Justice Communication

Curriculum Committee Approval Date: 05/06/2021

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