Course Syllabus

Department: Social Science
Date: December 2012

I. Course Prefix and Number CJC 117

Course Name: Issues in Constitutional Law

Credit Hours and Contact Hours: 3 credit hours and 3 contact hours

Catalog Description including pre- and co-requisites A study of Constitutional Law, including constitutional aspects of criminal law and procedure. Special emphasis will be placed on civil liberties, and individual rights guaranteed and protected by the Constitution. Jurisprudence, legal principles, government restraint, and Constitutional limitations will also be examined. Specific attention will be given to Supreme Court cases in order to emphasize the constitutional aspects of criminal justice.

Relationship to Academic Programs and Curriculum including SUNY Gen Ed designation if applicable: This is a required course for a Criminal Justice degree.

II. Course Student Learning Outcomes:

Students will:

1. Identify the basic maxims and theories of constitutional law in general; and also as it pertains to criminal procedure.

2. Analyze of the basic foundations and framework of constitutional law;

3. Identify and analyze landmark cases chosen by your professor.

College Learning Outcomes Addressed by the Course: (check each College Learning Outcome addressed by the Student Learning Outcomes)

- [ ] writing
- [ ] computer literacy
- [x] oral communications
- [ ] ethics/values
- [x] reading
- [x] citizenship
- [ ] mathematics
- [ ] global concerns
- [ ] critical thinking
- [ ] information resources

III. Assessment Measures:

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<td>Reading</td>
<td>Students read cases and text work and analyze them on written objective exams.</td>
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<td>Citizenship</td>
<td>Multiple choice and true/ false examinations</td>
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<td>Critical Thinking</td>
<td>Multiple choice questions with hypothetical questions involving application to fact pattern scenarios.</td>
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<td>Oral Communications</td>
<td>Communicate orally to demonstrate an understanding of the text.</td>
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IV. Instructional Materials and Methods

Types of Course Materials:

TWO BOOKS ARE REQUIRED:

1. Constitutional Law, David L. Pogue and
2. Choices Custom Resources For Political Science-CJC 117 (Scott)(Mason and Stephenson)

Methods of Instruction

This course employs lecture, extensive case discussion, testing, and audio visual methods.

V. General Outline of Topics Covered:

- Basic Civics & the State and Federal Court Systems
- Federalism
- Property Rights
- Search and Seizure, Self-Incrimination, Right to Counsel
- Freedom of Speech and Religion
- Privacy, Equal Protection, Due Process
- Death Penalty and Double Jeopardy