Course Syllabus

Department: Social Science

Date: December, 2012

I. Course Prefix and Number: CJC 205

Course Name: Philosophy of Criminal Investigation

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

Catalog Description including pre- and co-requisites: supporting data required for grade prerequisite of 'C' or higher.

This is an examination of the methods, skills and basic procedures involved in the investigation of a criminal matter. Topics include interrogation and interviewing, crime scene processing, search and seizure, report writing and crime scene sketches. Special emphasis will be placed on serious crimes, criminal profiling and victimology.

Relationship to Academic Programs and Curriculum including SUNY Gen Ed designation if applicable:

Serve as an elective in the program.

II. Course Student Learning Outcomes: State the student learning outcome(s) for the course (e.g. Student will be able to identify…)

Describe the purpose of the investigative process

Identify the characteristics of specific crimes

Describe the criteria of a successful investigation

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

☐ writing
☐ oral communications
☒ reading
☐ mathematics
☐ critical thinking
☐ computer literacy
☐ ethics/values
☐ citizenship
☐ global concerns
☒ information resources

III. Assessment Measures (Summarize how the college and student learning outcomes will be assessed): For each identified outcome checked, please provide the specific assessment measure.
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<td>Reading</td>
<td>The student will answer objective test items.</td>
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<td>The student will determine the type of crime committed by looking at elements of the event.</td>
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<td>Information resources</td>
<td>The student will identify 10 sources of information to the investigator.</td>
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IV. Instructional Materials and Methods

Types of Course Materials:


Methods of Instruction (e.g. Lecture, Lab, Seminar …):

Reading assignments are followed by lectures and class discussion.

V. General Outline of Topics Covered:

- Sources of information
- Criminal Investigation: an overview
- Managing Criminal Investigations (MCI)
- Burglary
- Robbery
- Larceny
- Assault
- Death Investigation
- Ethical Issues in Investigations

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