

## LABETTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BRIEF SYLLABUS

### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

This brief syllabus is not intended to be a legal contract. A full syllabus will be distributed to students at the first class session.

### **TEXT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS USED IN THE COURSE (if any):**

Please check with the LCC bookstore <http://www.labette.edu/bookstore> for the required texts for this class.

<b><u>COURSE NUMBER:</u></b>	CRIM 131
<b><u>COURSE TITLE:</u></b>	COMMUNITY POLICING
<b><u>SEMESTER CREDIT HOUR:</u></b>	3
<b><u>DEPARTMENT:</u></b>	Criminal Justice
<b><u>DIVISION:</u></b>	General Education
<b><u>PREREQUISITE:</u></b>	None

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Examines the philosophical concept of community policing, as it involves collaboration among police agencies, the public, other governmental agencies and organizations. It explores the historical evolution of community policing, rationale for existence, implementation strategies, pilot projects, focus of responsibility, ideas to be implemented, and ways to evaluate success of community policing concepts.

### **COURSE OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES:**

**Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:**

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the problems and issues confronting community policing.

- Understand the philosophical and structural aspects of community policing.
- Understand why a community must take an active role in crime prevention.
- Explain the demographic structure of a community.

2. Evaluate sociological dilemmas facing law enforcement as they pertain to community policing.

- Understand the need for change and how to implement community oriented policing.
- Gain ability to define problems and understand methods for identifying and solving problems.

3. Identify techniques for coping with cultural and socioeconomic differences.

- Understand the challenges of traditional policing with regard to crime and the fear of crime.
- Learn the importance of the ability to work with varied populations and their unique problems.

4. Understand the dynamics for introducing community policing within the police agency.

- Understand the differences between traditional and community policing.
- Understand the problems associated with the introduction of the community-policing concept.