

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.

COURSE NUMBER: CRIM 111

COURSE TITLE: PATROL PROCEDURES

SEMESTER CREDIT HOUR: 3

DEPARTMENT: Criminal Justice

DIVISION: General Education

PREREQUISITE: None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The fundamentals of proper patrol procedures and techniques, with particular emphasis on safety, public relations, crime prevention, and the handling of routine complaints. Identifying and handling of police problems that are most frequently encountered.

COURSE OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES:

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

1. Define the basic function and purpose of police patrol and understand the importance of the Code of Ethics.

- Discuss the legal and constitutional basis for all police powers.
- Identify the importance of police ethics and how to apply ethics while on patrol, including the ethical use of deadly force.
- Describe the preparation needed prior to going out on patrol.
- Define community policing and list the advantages and disadvantages of community policing.

2. Demonstrate and understand the appropriate way to handle the various situations a patrol officer will be involved in.

- Be able to state the purpose of police radio calls and list the major computer networks available to police.
- Discuss the best approach and tactics to use when handling routine calls and high-risk hotshot calls.
- Describe how patrol officers conduct traffic stops, handle a vehicle pursuit and drive in an emergency situation.
- Explain the purpose of traffic enforcement; including issuing traffic citations and identifying people Driving While Intoxicated.

3. Comprehend the importance of making legal arrests and the proper handling of suspects and crime scenes.

- Describe a proper method used to recognize and approach a drug suspect.
- Use appropriate techniques for stopping a suspect, conducting a field interview, making an arrest, and conducting a “pat-down” search.
- State the legal requirements for making an arrest including the use of an arrest warrant.
- List the basic steps in investigating a crime scene, including how to write the crime report, and how to handle evidence.

4. Understand methods used in handling crime disputes and major disturbances; recognize the “signs of danger” police face.

- Describe courtroom procedures, including the various stages of a criminal trial.
- List the special precautions and actions a patrol officer should take when dealing with crime disturbances and other natural and unnatural disasters.
- List the major risks the patrol officers face and describe the general principles of police survival.
- Understand the changes the future will bring to law enforcement employment.