

Court Systems and Practices Course Syllabus

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Course Description:

Court Systems and Practices is an overview of the federal and state court systems. The course identifies the roles of judicial officers and the trial processes from pretrial to sentencing and examines the types and rules of evidence. Emphasis is placed on constitutional laws for criminal procedures such as search and seizure, stop and frisk, and interrogation.

Materials:

- Black/Blue Pen
- Binder with 5 dividers
- Notebook Paper

Cell Phone/Electronic Device Policy:

Cell Phone/Electronic Device Policy: All devices must be kept in a purse or a backpack. Cell phones shall not be used in the classroom, unless approved by instructor.

Student Expectations:

- Arrive on time for class
- Attend all classes
- Bring all necessary supplies to class
- Participate in all group activities and discussions
- Complete all assigned tasks
- Be respectful of others
- Be responsible for obtaining make-up work/notes from the designated area upon return from an absence.
- BE IN THE MOMENT!
- LEAVE IT AT THE DOOR!

Units:

- Criminal Justice System
- Federal Court vs. State Court System
- Constitutional Considerations
- Types of Law

- Concept/Purposes of Law
- Crime Classifications
- Courtroom Professionalism and Personnel
- Entry into System
- Search and Seizure
- Pre-trial
- Trial
- Sentencing and Punishment
- Appeal and Post-conviction Review