



SYLLABUS TEMPLATE

Course Number	CJ 228
Course Name	Forensic Investigations
Credit Value (Breakdown of theory and lab credits)	3 Theory
Catalog Course Description	You will study the fundamentals of crime scenes and criminal investigations, with an emphasis on procedural techniques and technological advancements and how these relate to the collection and documentation of the physical evidence present. Places emphasis on various types of crimes and physical evidence, and how to better assure a more competent successful case closure and courtroom presentation. (3, 3T+0S)
Student Learning Outcomes/Objectives /Competencies of the Course	<p>Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify the types, value and advantages of physical evidence 2. Explain the actions to be taken at a crime scene by a first responder 3. Understand the role of a crime scene investigator 4. Know the types of fingerprints and impressions 5. Know the objectives of crime scene photography 6. Know the objectives of crime scene sketching and diagramming 7. Understand the role of physical evidence in sexual assault and other investigations 8. Understand the dynamics of homicide investigation 9. Recognize a crime scene 10. Identify and document physical, circumstantial and testimonial evidence 11. Document bloodstain evidence 12. Reconstruct a crime scene 13. Properly collect and preserve evidence to include biological, trace, and latent fingerprint
College-Wide Student Learning Outcomes	<p><i>The following college-wide objective will be addressed in the course along with which assignment will be used to measure this outcome:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4) Information Competency and Research – Students will reconstruct a crime scene, properly collect and preserve evidence to include biological, trace, and latent fingerprint