Imperial Valley College Course Syllabus - AJ 106

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Semester	Fall 2014	Instructor's Name	Jami Myles-Wells	
Course Title & #	PRINCIPLES & PROCEDURES	Instructor's Email	Jami.myles@imperial.edu	
	OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM 106			
CRN #	10117	Webpage (optional)	jamimyles@aol.com	
Room	3202	Office (PT Faculty:809)	Arrange with instructor	
Class Dates	8/18/2014 - 12/13/2014	Office Hours	To be arranged with each student	
		(n/a for PT Faculty)		
Class Days	Wednesday	Office Phone #	760-355-6280	
	-	(PT may use dept. number)		
Class Times	630pm – 940pm	Who students should		
		contact if emergency		
		or other absence		
Units	3			

Course Description

Basic Course Informatio

An in-depth study of the role and responsibilities of each segment within the Administration of Justice systems: law enforcement, judicial, and corrections. A past, present, and future exposure to each sub-system procedure, from initial entry to final disposition, and the relationship each segment maintains with its system member.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the U.S. Constitution and Amendments, especially those pertaining to the Justice System. (ILO1, ILO2, ILO4)

2. Demonstrate an understanding of the U.S. Criminal Justice System, to include: Law Enforcement, Court System, and Correctional System. (ILO1, ILO2, ILO4)

3. Demonstrate and understanding of trial procedure to include: Testimony of Witnesses, Presentation of Evidence, and Presumption of Innocence. (ILO1, ILO2, ILO4)

Course Objectives

MEASURABLE COURSE OBJECTIVES AND MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR GRADE OF "C":

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Explain the historical development of law and establishment of the American Criminal Justice System; and demonstrate an understanding of Constitutional rights and due process.

2. Identify and distinguish the requirements of a lawful arrest and applicable procedures for both misdemeanor and felony arrests.

3. Recognize the legal requirements associated with the defendant's right to an arraignment; pre-trial motions, et cetera.

- 4. List the types and appropriate uses of pleas listed in the California Penal Code.
- 5. Explain the role of the judge, attorneys and other participants in the trial setting.
- 6. Describe the trial process from motions in limine to the verdict.

7. Describe the history and role of the jury within the Criminal Justice System, the jury selection process, case law and new statutory changes affecting the jury process.

- 8. Explain sentencing history, philosophy and procedures used by the courts.
- 9. Describe post-trial appeal procedures, remedies and motions made by the trial participants.
- 10. Identify the different components of corrections and discuss the purpose and procedures of each.
- 11. Describe the juvenile justice system; philosophy and procedures.

Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

1. Roberson, Cliff and Wallace, Harvey (2012). Procedures in the Justice System (10th/e). Prentice Hall. ISBN: -978-0132705844

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

Out of Class Assignments: The Department of Education policy states that one (1) credit hour is the amount of student work that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of class time and two (2) hours of out-of-class time per week over the span of a semester. WASC has adopted a similar requirement.

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Total Points: 850

- Tests: Six tests at 50 points each = 300 points
- Term Paper = (Topic Approved by Instructor) = 200 Points
- Presentation of Term Paper = 100
- Final Exam = 150 Points
- Class attendance and participation in discussion, group participation, or activities = 100 Points

Extra credit is available, try asking!

TESTS/EXAMS:

There are a total of six (6) tests and one (1) comprehensive Final Examination in this course. Each of these tests will consist of a twenty-five (25) question test worth a total of fifty (50) points. Each test will have a time limit of 30 minutes, which means that class starts at 6:30 pm, class attendance is taken, then the test is handed out to the students. You will have 30 minutes, **no longer!** If you show up late to class, you will have what time is left to complete the test. There will be NO makeup test given. Failure to take an exam will result in a zero for that exam unless prior approval is given by the instructor. Bring a No. 2 Pencil and Scantron form to class on exam days for the test. I DO NOT supply a Scantron or a Pencil for any exam.

AS THERE IS NO RETAKES IN REAL LIFE - THERE WILL BE "NO MAKE UP EXAMS" GIVEN FOR THIS COURSE!

• You must communicate to your instructor any problems that you are having with the course or anything affecting you in the performance of the course. That means, if you cannot attend class to take the exams, you will communicate that to the instructor and why, with paperwork explaining why you could not be in class to take the exam. (Doctor's appointment, Jury Duty, Emergency Room, or Funeral).

Attendance

• A student who fails to attend the first meeting of a class or does not complete the first mandatory activity of an online class will be dropped by the instructor as of the first official meeting of that class. Should readmission be desired, the student's status will be the same as that of any other student who desires to add a class. It is the student's responsibility to drop or officially withdraw from the class. See General Catalog for details.

Regular attendance in all classes is expected of all students. A student whose continuous, unexcused absences exceed the number of hours the class is scheduled to meet per week may be dropped. One of the institutional learning outcomes at IVC is personal responsibility. You will be expected to demonstrate personal responsibility by attending class, showing up on time, and not leaving early. You will be allowed two absences as many times as the class meets in a week (Monday & Wednesday), a total of four, before the drop deadline. If you miss six or more absences, it will affect your final grade in this course. Do not assume you will be dropped for non-attendance. Missing more than half a class session will count as a full absence. (*It remains your responsibility to drop yourself from all courses that you no longer attend, or you risk getting a failing grade on your transcript.*) Refer to pages 23 – 24 of your General Catalog for "ATTENDANCE AND AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS"; <u>YOU</u> are RESPONSIBLE!

Classroom Etiquette

Electronic Devices:

Cell phones' ringing during class is RUDE, to me as the instructor and the other students in the class.

- Phones WILL BE turned off or placed on vibrate.
- IF your phone rings during class, you'll be asked to immediately give the class a two (2) minute presentation to the entire class, of the instructor's choice (any subject is fair game),
- <u>Food and Drink</u> are prohibited in all classrooms. Water bottles with lids/caps are the only exception. Additional restrictions will apply in labs. Please comply as directed.
- <u>Disruptive Students:</u> Students who disrupt or interfere with a class may be sent out of the room and told to meet with the Campus Disciplinary Officer before returning to continue with coursework. Disciplinary procedures will be followed as outlined in the General Catalog.
- <u>Children in the classroom:</u> Due to college rules and state laws, no one who is not enrolled in the class may attend, including children.

Academic Honesty

- <u>Plagiarism</u> is to take and present as one's own the writings or ideas of others, without citing the source. You should understand the concept of plagiarism and keep it in mind when taking exams and preparing written materials. If you do not understand how to correctly 'cite a source', you must ask for help.
- <u>Cheating</u> is defined as fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment or using or attempting to use materials, or assisting others in using materials, or assisting others in using materials, which are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of the academic assignment in question.

Anyone caught cheating or will receive a zero (0) on the exam or assignment, and the instructor may report the incident to the Campus Disciplinary Officer, who may place related documentation in a file. Repeated acts of cheating may result in an F in the course and/or disciplinary action. Please refer to the General School Catalog for more information on academic dishonesty or other misconduct. Acts of cheating include, but are not limited to the following: (a) plagiarism; (b) copying or attempting to copy from others during an examination or on an assignment ;(c) communicating test information with another person during an examination; (d) allowing others to do an assignment or portion of an assignment, (e) use of a commercial term paper service

Additional Help

- <u>Learning Labs:</u> There are several 'labs' on campus to assist you through the use of computers, tutors, or a combination. Please consult your college map for the Math Lab, Reading & Writing Lab, and Learning Services (library). Please speak to the instructor about labs unique to your specific program
- <u>Library Services</u>: There is more to our library than just books. You have access to tutors in the learning center, study rooms for small groups, and online access to a wealth of resources.

Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS)

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSP&S) office as soon as possible. If you feel you need to be evaluated for educational accommodations, the DSP&S office is located in Building 2100, telephone 760-355-6313.

Student Counseling and Health Services

Students have counseling and health services available, provided by the pre-paid Student Health Fee. We now also have a fulltime mental health counselor. For information see <u>http://www.imperial.edu/students/students/student-health-center/</u>. The IVC Student Health Center is located in the Health Science building in Room 2109, telephone 760-355-6310.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Students have the right to experience a positive learning environment and due process. For further information regarding student rights and responsibilities please refer to the IVC General Catalog available online at http://www.imperial.edu/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=4516&Itemid=762

Information Literacy

Imperial Valley College is dedicated to help students skillfully discover, evaluate, and use information from all sources. Students can access tutorials at <u>http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/divisions/arts-and-letters/library-department/info-lit-tutorials/</u>

Anticipated Class Schedule / Calendar

This is a tentative, provisional overview of the reading, assignments, tests, or other activity for the duration of the course. It is the students responsibility to be familiar with this schedule.

Date or Week	Activity, Assignment, and/or Topic	Pages/ Due Dates/Tests	
Wed	8/20/14	Introduction/Syllabus	
Wed	8/27/14	Chapter 1: Historical Development of Law and the Justice System	
Wed	9/3/14	Chapter 2: Search and Seizure	
Wed	9/10/14	Chapter 3:Arrest and Custody ALL STUDENTS- TURN IN OUTLINES FOR TERM PAPERS	
Wed	9/17/14	Test #1 //Chapter 5: The Charging Function Chapter	
Wed	9/24/14	Chapter 4: Initial Appearance// Chapter 6: Place and Time of Trial	
Wed	10/01/14	Test #2 //Chapter 8: Assistance of Counsel	
Wed	10/08/14	Chapter 7: Trial// Chapter 9: Pretrial Motions, Hearings, and Plea Negotiations	
Wed	10/15/14	Test #3 //Chapter 10: Courtroom Evidence	
Wed	10/22/14	Chapter 11: Trial: Roles of Major Participants// Chapter 12: Jury	
Wed	10/29/14	Test #4 //Chapter 13: Trial Procedure	
Wed	11/05/14	Chapter 14: Instructions and Deliberation of the Jury// Chapter 15: The Verdict and Appeals	

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Wed	11/12/14	Test #5 //Chapter 16: Sentencing
Wed	11/19/14	Chapter 17: Collateral Proceedings and Writs// Chapter 18: Victims' Rights
BREAK	11/24/14 - 11/29/14	Thanksgiving Break
Wed	12/03/14	Test #6 //Speeches//Review for Final Exam
Wed	12/10/14	Final Exam