



Course Description

CJK0002 | Introduction to Law Enforcement | 0.40 Credits

In this course students will learn to communicate effectively using empathy, courtesy, and professionalism while serving the community. The student will be able to understand the importance of self-talk and self-awareness in preparation for using the core communication competencies. For School of Justice students only.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will discuss the law enforcement profession by:

1. Explain an officer's role and commitment to serving their community as a criminal justice officer who understands the importance of practicing emotional intelligence
2. Demonstrating an understanding of the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission and how it regulates the requirements for obtaining and maintaining your certification as a law enforcement officer
3. Outlining the basic structures of the U.S. criminal justice system, the levels of criminal involvement, and how these affect an officer's job
4. Discussing the importance of following the chain of command and the delegation of authority to the foundation of an effective organization
5. Demonstrating procedural justice by using the LEED framework and understanding the importance of police legitimacy to strengthen the bonds with the community an officer serves

Competency 2 The student will learn how officer ethics and conduct apply to a law enforcement officer by:

1. Understanding the importance of ethical decision-making on and off duty
2. Identifying ethical standards that must be practiced as a law enforcement officer
3. Identifying unethical behavior that will damage a relationship with the community and career as a law enforcement officer
4. Defining the impact biased and unbiased policing has on your community and the roles that stereotyping, prejudice, and discrimination play in fair and impartial policing

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate Officer Wellbeing by:

1. identifying how the different types of stress impact the mind, body, job performance, and quality of- life
2. demonstrating how to cope with the stress that accompanies the job as a law enforcement officer and how to build resilience for career longevity

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society