# **CJSA - CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

## CJSA 1006 Civil Process 1.6-4.8 Credit Hours (16 to 48 Lec)

CJSA 1302 Private Security Officer Training 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec) A critical study of the provisions of the Texas Private Security Investigators and Private Security Agencies Act. Topics include the impact of the code on procedures and policies, judicial interpretation of statutes and related procedures, and rules and regulations. Satisfies the requirements for Commissioned Security Officer Skill Certification. Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

# CJSA 1308 Criminalistics I 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec)

Introduction to the field of criminalistics. Topics include the application of scientific and technical methods in the investigation of crime including location, identification, and handling of evidence for scientific analysis. Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

### CJSA 1325 Criminology 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec)

Current theories and empirical research pertaining to crime and criminal behavior and its causes, methods of prevention, systems of punishment, and rehabilitation.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

## CJSA 1342 Criminal Investigation 3 Credit Hours (2 Lec, 2 Lab)

Investigative theory; collection and preservation of evidence; sources of information; interview and interrogation; uses of forensic sciences; case and trial preparation.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

## CJSA 1345 Intermediate Crime Scene Investigation 3 Credit Hours (2 Lec, 3 Lab)

Topics include objectives, preparations, procedures, and methods of crime scene search; value of crime scene sketches and their relationship to crime scene photographs; fingerprints as physical evidence, fingerprint identification and classification, types of impressions and techniques for locating and developing impressions. Satisfies Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Course #2106.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

# CJSA 1347 Police Organization and Administration 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec)

Study of the principles of organizational structure and administration. Topics include theories of management, motivation, and leadership. Focus on a quality approach toward police community interaction. Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

# CJSA 1348 Ethics in Criminal Justice 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec)

Ethical philosophies and issues pertaining to the various professions in the criminal justice system. Include ethical issues emanating from constitutional conflict with public protection and individual rights, civil liberties, and correctional policies.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

## CJSA 1400 Death Investigation I 4 Credit Hours (3 Lec, 2 Lab)

Concepts, investigations process, scene management, required documentation, and case management for incidences of natural, accidental, and suicidal deaths. Follows the Department of Justice National Guidelines for Death Investigations and meets the criteria for academic credit recognition from the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

# CJSA 1401 Death Investigation II 4 Credit Hours (3 Lec, 2 Lab)

Concepts, investigations process, scene management, required documentation, and case management for incidences of homicide, undetermined causes of death, and sudden infant death. Exploration of various federal, state, and local investigative requirements. Follows the Department of Justice National Guidelines for Death Investigations. Also meets the criteria for academic credit recognition from the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators. Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

#### CJSA 1471 Forensic Science I 4 Credit Hours (3 Lec, 2 Lab)

The scientific analysis and examination of physical evidence with emphasis on scientific investigation, recognition, collection, and preservation of evidence. Topics include fingerprints, shoe prints, tool marks, firearms identification, and arson.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

## CJSA 1472 Forensic Science II 4 Credit Hours (3 Lec, 2 Lab)

The scientific analysis and examination of biological evidence for forensic purposes. Covers blood, bloodstains, other biological fluids and stains, hair, DNA, toxicological evidence, controlled substances, and alcohol.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

#### CJSA 1473 Evidence Technology 4 Credit Hours (3 Lec, 2 Lab)

The use of various forms of forensic field technology, including laser scanners, portable and hand-held instrumentation, and biometric devices to gather evidence in a crime scene.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

## CJSA 2302 Police Management Supervision and Related Topics 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec)

Techniques and theories regarding dealing with people, their performance and problems. Topics include basic supervision, leadership, time, management, first-line supervision, and management by objectives. Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

## CJSA 2323 Criminalistics II 3 Credit Hours (2 Lec, 3 Lab)

Theory and practice of crime scene investigation. Topics include report writing, blood and other body fluids, document examination, etchings, casts and molds, glass fractures, use of microscope, and firearms identification.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

#### CJSA 2332 Criminalistics III 3 Credit Hours (2 Lec, 4 Lab)

A study of the practical aspects of criminalistics procedures. Topics include crime scene investigation, collecting and preserving evidence, and testifying in court.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course

### CJSA 2334 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice 3 Credit Hours (3 Lec)

A series of lectures and class participation exercise presenting selected topics currently confronting criminal justice personnel and the public they serve.

Course Type: Technical/Vocational Course