

## Program Outcomes

### Criminal Justice

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Objective 1. (15/16 credit certificate & 30 credit certificate)

Understand the history, philosophy, and ethical considerations of the criminal justice system. Identify the nature and impact of crime on society. Distinguish between civil and criminal court systems and gain an overview of the criminal justice network or system.

Assessment Results:

69.3% of the students passed CRIJ 1301 with a C or better.

Use of Results:

We will use problem-solving scenarios for other areas of CRIJ 1301 in order to more fully achieve the above learning objective. The revised Basic Peace Officer Course Objectives per Unit Goal 5.1 will be added to course content. TCLEOSE (Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education) Unit Goal 5.1: The student will understand and appreciate the specific roles and interrelationships of the various components within the Criminal Justice System.

Objective 2. (15/16 credit certificate and 30 credit certificate)

Know the goals and objectives of criminal investigation. Demonstrate the ability to conduct proper crime scene investigations. Know the use of the forensic sciences for the collection of evidence per various state and federal offenses. Understand and be able to organize a criminal case, including field notes, preliminary and supplementary reports, crime scene activities and mandatory documentation for state and federal statutory warnings.

Assessment Results:

Criminal justice professionals in the field of criminal investigation—who mentored our students per crime scene processing and construction of an investigation—agreed that our students performed at a level of high

competency per these activities. 21 out of 29 students who participated in the mock criminal justice investigation with their mentors completed the investigative protocols successfully.

#### Use of Results:

Successful completion by the above students of their criminal investigation will be used as a measure for placement per criminal justice internships.

#### Objective 3 (15/16 credit certificate)

Know a definition of police authority and understand the responsibilities and constitutional restraints as enumerated in the Texas Constitution and the U.S. Bill of Rights. Understand the laws of arrest, search, and seizure as developed through relevant court decisions and be able to describe any resulting criminal and civil liability from improper police acts or the failure to act.

#### Assessment Results

In a field exercise—specially constructed for the course (CRIJ 2323)—all the students in the class were able to demonstrate various arrest, search and seizure techniques in order to satisfy the competencies required by the profession.

#### Use of Results

Expand the use of field exercises in order to further demonstrate various arrest, search and seizure techniques.

#### Objective 4(15/16 credit certificate and Objective 7 for 30 credit certificate)

Know federal and state correctional systems and community correction practices. Identify organization roles, procedures, and operations within correctional programs.

#### Assessment Results

All the students successfully completed the inmate disciplinary mock hearing with a grade of C or better.

## Use of Results

Continue to use Texas Department of Criminal Justice DHO (Disciplinary Hearing Officer) Manual for the mock disciplinary hearing. DHO Manual was revised as of 07/2001. Results were 100% effective.

## Objective 5 ( 15/16 credit certificate)

Know and master basic jail procedures. Understand legal issues, cultural diversity concerns, skills, and stress management techniques within a jail environment.

## Assessment Results

We still have 100% pass rate for students taking TCLEOSE Basic Jail Certificate test.

## Use of Results

Place students in county correctional facilities as jailers.