

Bossier Parish Community College  
Master Syllabus

**Course Prefix and Number:** CJUS 250

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Course Title:** Police Procedures

**Course Prerequisites:** None

**Textbook:** John S. Dempsey and Linda S. Forst. *An Introduction to Policing*. Cengage Learning. (For the exact textbook requirement, please refer to your instructor's course information syllabus.)

**Course Description:** Exposure to, and knowledge of the entire world of policing; from historical development, police subculture, policing levels and roles, organizational structure, patrol functions, investigations, through extraordinary problems and methods, rule of law, police accountability and liability, new issues facing 21<sup>st</sup> century cops on the beat, comparisons with other countries police forces, and technology which deals with new challenges facing today's police forces.

**Learning Outcomes:**

At the end of this course, the student will:

- A. outline historical facts or history, organization and structure of police forces;
- B. list various the various issues of the police sub-culture;
- C. explain the patrol and investigative function of crime solving;
- D. describe the new criminal challenges facing police;
- E. explain the importance of the rule of law and ethics governing police operations;
- F. explain the importance of education and diversity in the rank and file;
- G. explain the relationship between the law and current police practices
- H. describe new police technologies which enhance security and crime solving;
- I. describe how current methodologies and coordination with Homeland Security aids in the fight against human trafficking and global terrorism.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

- 1. explain historical events which lead up to present day police functions;(A)
- 2. explain the life events, training, and education which distinguish police from the public; (B)
- 3. explain the significance of physical and mental fitness for patrol officers; (A)
- 4. examine the processes used from the crime scene to trial; (C)
- 5. summarize the issues of militias, organized crime, gang and hate crime; (D)

6. explain how terrorism has affected the role of police work; (D)
7. analyze the issues of law and their effect on how police operate; (E)
8. outline accountability, liability, and ethical issues which affect public perception of justice professionals; (E)
9. explain how the acceptance of women and minorities add to a total policing picture; (F)
10. discuss the distinct methods of operations and training of selected non-U.S. police forces; (G)
11. explain how new computer technologies, non-lethal weapons and new forensic science improvements aid in the prosecuting offenders; (H)
12. explain possible future challenges for police with the advent of political strife, terrorism, and new community issues increasing around the globe; (I)
13. explain some future probable theories of police operations. (I)

**Course Requirements:** The following are intended to help the learner meet the stated learning outcomes of the course: regular and prompt class attendance reflected in class roll; read assigned text and outside material; successful completion of administered examinations; demonstration of an understanding of the subject matter; an understanding of which law or laws to use under different circumstances; active participation in classroom or online discussions.

*In addition to requirements stated herein, each instructor will communicate additional requirements unique to his/her section via the instructor's section syllabus.*

**Course Grading Scale:**

- A 90-100%
- B 80-89%
- C 70-79%
- D 60-69%
- F 59% or below

**Attendance Policy:** The college attendance policy is available at <http://www.bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html>

**Course Fees:** None

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