

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix: CJUS 202

Credit Hours: 3

Course Title: Criminal Investigations

Course Prerequisites: None

Textbook: Hess, Orthmann, Cho. *Criminal Investigation*. Cengage Publishing. (For the exact textbook requirement, please refer to your instructor's course information syllabus.)

Course Description: This course describes the basic aspects of investigative work, documenting the crime scene, searching people and property, collecting and preserving evidence, obtaining information through interviews and interrogations, identifying suspects, investigating deaths, assault, domestic violence, sex crimes, crimes against children, robbery, larceny, white-collar and environmental crime, as well as the investigation of computer crime, drug sales and trafficking, and terrorism.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this course, the student will:

- A. recognize proper basic investigative responsibilities of police officers and investigators;
- B. recognize the proper techniques of investigating personal and property crimes;
- C. recognize the total methodology used to deal effectively with 21st Century crime as police organizations gear up to expand their role with the advent of the Patriot Act.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

- 1. explain basic investigatory functions from first response to closing the case; (A)
- 2. explain and describe proper methods in dealing with violent crime; murder, robbery, assault, sexual assault, crime against children, larceny, drug and hate crime, computer crime and the effect of terrorism on police investigations and methods; (B)
- 3. explain how technology and new changes in law affect the police role in the 21st Century. (C)

Course Requirements: The following are intended to help the learner meet the stated learning outcomes of the course: mandatory attendance and continual contact with the instructor; timely and successful completion of assignments.

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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