J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number: ADJ 212 Credits: 3

Course Title: Criminal Law, Evidence, and Procedures II

Course Description:

Teaches the elements of proof for major and common crimes and the legal classification of offenses. Studies the kinds, degrees, and admissibility of evidence and its presentation in criminal proceedings with emphasis on legal guidelines for methods and techniques of evidence acquisition. Surveys the procedural requirements from arrest to final disposition in the various American court systems with focus on the Virginia jurisdiction. Part II of II. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

None

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

- Define and discuss the elements of proof for major and common crimes;
- Define and discuss the legal classification of offenses in Virginia;
- Identify the kinds, degrees, and admissibility of evidence and its presentation in criminal proceedings;
- Recognize the legal guidelines for the methods and techniques of evidence acquisition;
- Trace the procedural requirements from arrest to final disposition in the court system with a focus on the Virginia jurisdiction.

Major Topics to Be Included:

- Constitutional Restrictions on Justice Procedure, Rules of Evidence and Case Law Pertaining to Laws of Arrest and Search and Seizure
- Analysis of Cases

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