

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Officer Liability

COURSE NUMBER: 1023

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
3:00			3:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

This course examines Federal cases and Federal statutes enacted to protect an individual's Constitutional and Federal civil rights. It includes a discussion of criminal and civil remedies, the Federal Tort Claims Act, and the available defenses to such claims.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

The student will be able to recognize common law enforcement actions that may lead to criminal and/or civil liability of an individual officer and/or the United States Government, and the available defenses to such claims.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Identify the elements and applicability of Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 241 and 242.
2. Identify the elements, applicability, and scope of Title 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and the Bivens Analogy.
3. Recognize the most common incidents of personal civil liability of Federal law enforcement officers.
4. Recognize available defenses to the personal civil liability of Federal law enforcement officers.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the "Officer Liability" chapter in the student text.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Written, multiple-choice examination.

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Fourth Amendment

COURSE NUMBER: 1211

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
12:00			12:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

This course examines the law of detention, arrest, search and seizure, as outlined under the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, case law development, and federal statutory law. Topics covered include the law of detention, arrest, use of force, exclusionary rule, probable cause, particularity and other constitutional safeguards. Criminal complaints and applications for search and arrest warrants are also reviewed and explained. A one-hour practical laboratory is included in which each student will prepare a legally sufficient criminal complaint.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

The student will identify the requirements for a lawful arrest, investigative detention, use of force, and search and seizure, both with and without warrants, in accordance with the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, United States Supreme Court decisions, and Federal statutory law. The student will also submit a legally sufficient criminal complaint as part of a graded practical exercise.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Recognize when the Fourth Amendment applies to governmental action.
2. Identify situations in which a reasonable expectation of privacy exists.
3. Identify appropriate actions that may be taken when reasonable suspicion exists.
4. Identify when probable cause exists to the extent that an arrest or search may be justified.
5. Identify the origin, purpose and scope of the exclusionary rule.
6. Identify the limitations of an arrest warrant.
7. Identify when an arrest involving a felony requires the use of a warrant.
8. Identify when an arrest involving a misdemeanor requires the use of a warrant.
9. Identify the conditions under which an officer may use force to execute a warrant according to the provisions of Title 18 U.S.C. § 3109.

10. Identify the degree of force, which may include deadly force, that may be used to effect an arrest according to the Department of Treasury's Use of Force Policy.
11. Identify those officials who have the authority to issue Federal search warrants.
12. Identify the scope and purpose of a protective sweep.
13. Identify circumstances in which evidence may be seized under the plain view doctrine.
14. Identify fact situations where warrantless searches are permitted regarding motor vehicles.
15. Identify fact situations where warrantless searches are permitted during exigent circumstances, e.g., hot pursuit, destruction or removal of evidence, and emergency scenes.
16. Identify the requirements and scope of a search incident to a lawful arrest.
17. Identify circumstances in which a suspect's consent to search is voluntary.
18. Identify the requirements allowing an inventory of lawfully impounded personal property.
19. Identify the circumstances when an inspection is permitted for real and personal property.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the "Fourth Amendment" chapter in the student text. Additionally, the student will draft a legally sufficient Criminal Complaint.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Written multiple-choice examination.

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Courtroom Testimony

COURSE NUMBER: 1031

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
2:00			2:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to assist law enforcement officers to become effective and convincing courtroom witnesses. This course will also prepare the student for common cross-examination scenarios and the truthful and proper way to handle them.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

The student will identify fundamental principles for witness testimony and will recognize effective techniques to use as a witness. The student will demonstrate their ability to testify to pertinent facts of a situation and to withstand cross-examination of that testimony during a simulated courtroom setting.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Identify the characteristics that make law enforcement officers effective witnesses.
2. Identify essential law enforcement officer testimonial skills.
3. Identify common techniques used to impeach witnesses during cross-examination.
4. Identify subjects that should not be volunteered by a witness when testifying.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the "Courtroom Testimony" chapter in the student text.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

This class is not tested.

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Constitutional Law

COURSE NUMBER: 1080

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
2:00			2:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

This course discusses the development of the Constitution of the United States. Emphasis is placed on those provisions of the Bill of Rights of particular to law enforcement personnel.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

Given an overview of the developmental background of the Constitution of the United States, the student will properly identify how the United States Government is organized, the allocation of powers among the branches, how the Constitution applies to the Federal law enforcement officer, and the components of the Federal criminal justice system which originate from the Constitution.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Identify the powers of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the United States government.
2. Identify the rights and privileges guaranteed to citizens by the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution.
3. Identify how the United States Constitution applies to law enforcement officer behavior.
4. Identify the components of the criminal justice system that originate in the United States Constitution.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the "Constitutional Law" chapter in the student text, as well as the United States Constitution.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Written, multiple-choice examination.

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Federal Criminal Law

COURSE NUMBER: 1091

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
2:00			2:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

Through lecture and discussion, this course provides the student with an introduction to criminal law and selected Federal offenses.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

Given a set of facts depicting possible violations of major statutory offenses, the student will identify whether a crime is alleged and determine, if so, whether all elements of the crime are present.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Identify the elements of a criminal statute.
2. Distinguish between a felony and a misdemeanor.
3. Identify how the Assimilative Crimes Act is applied and distinguish between exclusive, concurrent, and proprietary jurisdiction.
4. Identify the elements of Title 18 U.S.C. § 111.
5. Identify the elements of Title 18 U.S.C. § 201.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the “Federal Criminal Law” chapter in the student text.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Written, multiple-choice examination.

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Federal Court Procedures

COURSE NUMBER: 1130

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
8:00			8:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

This course discusses the operation of the federal court system and emphasizes procedures involved in processing a criminal case from the arrest or indictment through arraignment including the necessary proceedings of interest and concern to federal law enforcement officers.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

Given written scenarios, the student will identify the process governing proceedings in criminal cases in the United States federal court system and responsibilities of the federal law enforcement officer.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Identify the structure and functions of the Federal court system, and the duties of US Federal District Court and Magistrate Court Judges.
2. Identify the methods of causing a defendant to appear before a United States Magistrate Judge.
3. Identify the proper procedures to follow immediately after arrest and the purpose of and procedure at the initial appearance and detention hearing.
4. Identify the procedures when the defendant is arrested in a district other than where the crime occurred, and the purpose of a removal and identity hearing.
5. Identify the proper procedure to follow when a criminal incident involves a diplomat or Congressperson and the proper procedure after the arrest of a juvenile.
6. Identify the requirement for, and the procedures at, the preliminary hearing and arraignment.
7. Identify the function and purpose of the grand jury.
8. Identify the types and uses of grand jury subpoenas.

9. Identify the rules governing the secrecy of proceedings of the grand jury, the limited dissemination of grand jury information, and the law enforcement officer's responsibilities regarding use of grand jury material.
10. Identify the documents required to formally accuse a defendant.
11. Identify how the defense obtains information from the government that can be used in trial and for other purposes, e.g. discovery under Rule 16, Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure; the *Brady* doctrine, *Giglio v. United States*, the Jencks Act, and Rule 26.2, Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.
12. Identify factors that determine venue for an offense, and the rules governing transfer to another district.
13. Identify the rules governing the statute of limitations and the Speedy Trial Act.
14. Identify the responsibilities of the Federal law enforcement officer to liaison with the United States Probation Office in preparing a presentencing report.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the "Federal Court Procedures" chapter in the student text.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Written, multiple-choice examination.

SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Courtroom Evidence

COURSE NUMBER: 1121

LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:

<u>LECTURE</u>	<u>LAB</u>	<u>P.E.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
2:00			2:00	USMSI

DESCRIPTION:

This course examines principles in the Federal Rules of Evidence and how these Rules affect how Federal Officers collect and preserve evidence. Emphasis is placed on the admissibility and methods of presenting evidence in Federal courts.

TERMINAL PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE (TPO):

The student will identify the standards of admissibility and methods of collecting evidence in order to ensure that evidence is admissible in court.

ENABLING PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EPO):

1. Identify the procedural stages of a criminal trial.
2. Identify the nature of privileged information and when it can and cannot be collected or divulged.
3. Describe how evidence should be collected so a foundation can be laid in court.

STUDENT SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students will refer to the “Courtroom Evidence” chapter in the student text.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

Written, multiple-choice examination.