Course Prefix and Number: ADJ 236
Credits: 3

Course Title: Principles of Criminal Investigation

Course Description: Surveys the fundamentals of criminal investigation procedures and techniques. Examines crime scene search, collecting, handling, and preserving of evidence. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
None

Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a. Identify, describe, and discuss the five steps in crime scene procedure;
b. Describe the proper evidence collection procedure;
c. Take an acceptable set of fingerprints and classify them; and
d. Write a report of a crime scene investigation in a manner acceptable for court testimony.

Major Topics to Be Included:
a. Rules of Evidence
b. Rules of Arrest
c. Criminal Justice Procedure
d. Evidence Collection
e. Searching Techniques

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: Fall, 2008