J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

COURSE PREFIX NUMBER:  LGL 216  CREDITS:  3

COURSE TITLE:  Trial Preparation and Discovery Practice

PREREQUISITES:  None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:  Examines the trial process, including the preparation of a trial notebook, pretrial motions, and orders. May include preparation of interrogatories, depositions, and other discovery tools used in assembling evidence in preparation for the trial or an administrative hearing. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:  To teach the student how to prepare a trial notebook to assist the attorney in preparation for trial.

Major Topics to be Included:

a. Tools of Discovery
   1. Interrogatories
   2. Depositions
      a. Upon oral examination
      b. Upon written questions
      c. Audio-Visual
   3. Production of Documents
   4. Requests for Admission
   5. Entry of Land
b. Pretrial Procedure, Formulating issues
   c. Preparing a trial notebook

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

a. Understand various discovery tools.

b. Understand the aspects of a pretrial conference.

c. Prepare a trial notebook.

Effective Date of Course Content Summary:  Revised February, 2009.