

College of San Mateo
Official Course Outline

1. **COURSE ID:** ADMJ 102 **TITLE:** Principles and Procedures of the Criminal Justice System **C-ID:** AJ 200

Units: 3.0 units **Hours/Semester:** 48.0-54.0 Lecture hours; and 96.0-108.0 Homework hours

Method of Grading: Letter Grade Only

Recommended Preparation:

Completion of or concurrent enrollment in ADMJ 100 and eligibility for ENGL 100 or 105

2. **COURSE DESIGNATION:**

Degree Credit

Transfer credit: CSU; UC

3. **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**

Catalog Description:

This course examines due process in criminal proceedings from pre-arrest through trial and appeal utilizing statutory law and state and constitutional law precedents. Discussion points will examine the components of the criminal justice system and their roles and responsibilities.

4. **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) (SLO'S):**

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will meet the following outcomes:

1. Recognize the stages in the trial process and discuss the impact of case law on criminal proceedings.
2. Explain the concepts found in the U.S. and California Constitution pertaining to the justice system.
3. Identify and discuss the ethical issues in arrest and search and seizure situations.

5. **SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

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6. **COURSE CONTENT:**

Lecture Content:

1. Structure of Criminal Justice System
 - A. Components of the criminal justice system
 - a. Law Enforcement
 - b. Judicial
 - c. Corrections
 - B. U.S. and California Constitutional rights
 - C. Statutory Law
 - D. Case Law
2. Before and During an Arrest
 - A. Consensual Encounters and Temporary Detentions
 - B. Laws of Arrest
 - C. Search and Seizure
 - D. Warrantless Arrests and Seizures
 - E. Miranda Rights
3. Court Proceedings and the Trial Process
 - A. Stages of a Trial
 - B. Presentation
 - C. Defendant's Rights
 - D. Jury Selection
 - E. Verdict and Sentencing
4. Corrections
 - A. Duties and Responsibilities
 - B. County Jail vs. State Prison
 - C. Probation vs. Parole

7. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

Typical methods of instruction may include:

- A. Lecture
- B. Discussion

8. REPRESENTATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative assignments in this course may include, but are not limited to the following:

Writing Assignments:

- Constitution applicability to law
- Use of force analysis
- Court Procedures
- Resume preparation for presentation

Reading Assignments:

- Reading assignments from text

9. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF EVALUATION

Representative methods of evaluation may include:

- A. Class Work
- B. Oral Presentation
- C. Written examination

10. REPRESENTATIVE TEXT(S):

Possible textbooks include:

- A. Peoples, E. E.. *Criminal Procedures in California*, 5th ed. Meadow Crest Publishing, 2015

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