

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

Course: CJ 215: Criminal Justice Field Work

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: CJ 207, PA 101, CJ 104 CJ 115, CJ 102

CO Requisites: PY 209, CS 241

Description:

This course provides the student with a 90 hour, non-paid internship in a range of agencies related to law enforcement.

Learning Outcomes:

At the completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Analyze their findings of the day-to-day operations of a criminal justice agency within the minimum standards set forth by the State of New Jersey's field work experience guidelines.
- Construct a resume and cover letter for employment.
- Compare their practical internship experiences in relationship to the justice studies coursework.
- Differentiate the role expectations of criminal justice personnel, and describe the various agencies and each subsystem within the system.

Topical Outline:

- Employment Trends
- First Responders: Careers in Law Enforcement, Public Safety, and Related Fields
- Careers in the Courts: Corrections, and Related Fields
- Careers in Private Security
- Knowing the Job and Yourself
- Internships
- Physical Fitness and Testing
- Attributes of Successful Candidates
- The Resume
- Preparing for Not Getting the Job
- The Application Process
- Your Job Seeking Uniform
- The Interview
- The Job
- The Career Ladder
- Job Loss

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Student Assessment: Exams and research paper

Academic Integrity: Plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism is presenting in written work, in public speaking, and in oral reports the ideas or exact words of someone else without proper documentation. Whether the act of plagiarism is deliberate or accidental [ignorance of the proper rules for handling material is no excuse], plagiarism is, indeed, a “criminal” offense. As such, a plagiarized paper or report automatically receives a grade of **ZERO** and the student may receive a grade of **F** for the semester at the discretion of the instructor.

Note: If you are having difficulty with work in this class tutoring is available through the Center for Academic & Student Success. If you think that you might have a learning disability, contact Project Assist at 856.691.8600 x 1282 for information on assistance that can be provided to eligible students.

Before Withdrawing From This Course

If a student experiences adverse circumstances while enrolled in this course and considers withdrawing, s/he should see an advisor (division or advisement center) **BEFORE** withdrawing from the class. A withdrawal may cause harmful repercussions to completion rate standards and overall GPA which can limit or eliminate future financial aid in addition to causing academic suspension.