LEA 250  Social Problems in Law Enforcement

CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course covers the role of today’s police officer in a multicultural society. It includes examination of the problems and causes of tension in social interactions and techniques in alleviating them.

PREREQUISITES: CJS 100 and LEA 201

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will:
1. Explain the influence of social economic and educational deprivation on crime
2. Explain the role of the social deprivation theory on perceptions of individuals whose social and economic class and educational attainment are below normal levels
3. Describe the impact of cultural acceptance of aggression as a major factor in the failure to act on violence
4. Describe acts of violence, which are often ignored because they are accepted
5. Compare the role of cultural violence and its relationship to abuse of children, women, differences in sexual orientation, and racial and cultural groups
6. Discuss the attempts of the policy to address these acts of violence
7. Discuss aggression and its acceptance in the media, sports and other recreational activities
8. Identify crimes of class, i.e. white-collar embezzlement
9. Discuss the implementation of crimes related to economic gain on policy and sentencing
10. Compare and contrast the role, which is played in the implementation of law enforcement policy and social problems in the control of crime
11. To explore law enforcement procedures in the implementation of policy
12. To explore the court system in the implementation of policy

ASSESSMENT METHODS:
Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:
90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E