COMMON COURSE OUTLINE: Course discipline/number/title: LAWE 1105: Introduction to Law Enforcement

A. CATALOG DESCRIPTION
1. Credits: 3
2. Hours/Week: 3
3. Prerequisites (Course discipline/number): None
4. Co-requisites (Course discipline/number): None
5. MnTC Goals (if any): NA

Major topics of the course include the history and evolution of law enforcement, police operations and procedures, the court system, corrections and the juvenile justice system.

B. DATE LAST REVISED (Month, year): January, 2015

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS:
1. The Evolution of Law Enforcement
   a) History of Law Enforcement
   b) Policing Through Different Eras
2. The Criminal Justice System and Its Components
   a) Corrections
   b) Juvenile Justice
   c) Court System
3. Police Operations
   a) Patrol and Traffic
   b) Community Policing
   c) Investigations
   d) Searching and Arrests
4. Special Problem Areas
   a) Drug Enforcement
   b) Gangs

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (GENERAL): The student will be able to:
1. Discuss the history of law enforcement.
2. Explain the general principles of the U.S. Constitution.
3. Examine the amendments to the U.S. Constitution and how they apply to Peace Officers.
4. Identify the legal and policy aspects of pursuits.
5. Discuss the Judicial System.
6. Discuss basic criminal, traffic law, Juvenile law.
7. Identify the different levels of force used by peace officers.

E. LEARNING OUTCOMES (MNTC): NA

F. METHODS FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENT LEARNING:
1. Objective tests
2. Essay tests
3. Written assignments

G. RCTC CORE OUTCOME(S) ADDRESSED:
   - Communication
   - Critical Thinking
   - Global Awareness/Diversity
   - Civic Responsibility
   - Personal/Professional Accountability
   - Aesthetic Response

H. SPECIAL INFORMATION (if any): None