

# **COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

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A. Identification:

1. Subject Area: Administration of Justice
2. Course Number: AJS 250
3. Course Title: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS
4. Credit Hrs: 3
5. Catalog Description:  
Fundamentals of criminal investigation. Examines theory of criminal investigation, crime scene procedures, case preparation, basic and advanced interviewing techniques, and basic investigative techniques. Three lecture.

B. Course goals:

To provide the students with the necessary skills to prepare them for understanding the contemporary environment of criminal investigation in the United States and the sub-systems which directly comprise the integrated systems within the United States and to emphasize the functional areas of criminal investigation techniques and the applications as preparation for: problem-solving, communication, reasoning, and reporting. Course to include concepts of forensic interviewing. Computer worksheet applications may be utilized.

C. Course Outcomes:

The student will demonstrate by their scores on written assignments and exams, mastery of the basic business skills necessary to perform the following:

1. Problem solving techniques
2. Instruction interpretation
3. Understanding of criminal justice vocabulary
4. Explain the structure of the criminal investigative process
5. How the AJS system develop classification of crimes according to crime scene evidence
6. Describe the management and organizational processes which affect criminal investigative concerns

D. Course Outcomes Assessment:

Assessment will include:

1. Students complete quizzes and practical exercises.
2. Department generated final exam and practical exam

E. Course Content:

Will include:

1. Introduction of criminal investigations
2. Investigative techniques
  - I. Interview techniques: to include up to advanced techniques of forensics interviewing.
3. Investigating crimes against the person
4. Investigating crimes against property
5. Investigating other crimes
6. The investigator's role in the judicial system

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