Student success is our number one priority at Coastal Bend College and we realize that prompt, effective communication plays a significant role in achieving that goal. It is vitally important that you have the proper contact information for your instructor. This should include their phone number, email address, and if applicable, their office number, and office hours. If you ever have any problems contacting your instructor, or do not receive a prompt response to your inquiries, please contact the Assistant Dean of Academics, or the Dean of Academics, as soon as possible. Their contact information is provided below:

We wish you all the best in your education and encourage you to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Keeping student success in sight, faculty in each of the courses will review with students, course information with specific reading schedules, assignments, and testing information during the first week of class.

Additionally, the course information will be posted to Blackboard (THECB 60x30TX compliance).

Course Description – A study of the practical aspects of criminalistics procedures. Topics include crime scene investigation, collecting and preserving evidence, and testifying in court.

Semester Hours Credit: 3

Lecture/Lab Hours: 1/5

Prerequisite: CJSA 1308 Criminalistics I and CJSA 2323 Criminalistics II

Course Capacity: 30 (up to a +5 override with instructor approval)

Textbook(s): "Forensic Science: From the Crime Scene to the Crime Lab" 4th Ed., by Saferstein, Pearson Publishing. *This course, as the two previous, utilizes an inclusive access. Students will not be charged for this semesters’ access as it is part of a 12-month subscription provided in Criminalistics II.
Course Objectives

Student Learning Outcomes – Subject Matter Specific (SLOS):
Upon successful completion of this course, students will:
1. Conduct a crime scene investigation under simulated circumstances;
2. Demonstrate proper methods of identifying, collecting, preserving evidence for crime laboratory analysis;
3. Demonstrate proper courtroom demeanor and methods of testifying.

Student Learning Outcomes – Marketable SCAN Skills (SLOM):
Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Identify applicable methods and procedures from learned strategies of collecting and managing evidence by quality standards.
2. Display advanced active learning skills by identifying reconstruction methods and case problem-solving techniques including implications of evolving information.
3. Demonstrate scientific knowledge utilized to reflect an understanding of the standardized rules, analysis, and interpretation required for evidentiary findings.
4. Present effective written communications by developing and managing technical reports reflecting knowledge on evidence management.
5. Indicate critical thinking skills of inductive and deductive reasoning applied to approaches, solutions, and conclusions of a comprehensive simulated case.
6. Employ advanced speaking skills in conveying an effective presentation of testimonial evidence.

Program Level (PLO)(as related to this course)
This course provides instructional elements in partial requirements to the following:
1. Demonstrate the ability to process a crime scene pursuant to evidentiary standards with emphasis on collecting, packaging, chain of custody, and evidence control.
2. Outline inductive/deductive reasoning processes and communication techniques utilized in interviewing of witnesses, interrogation of suspects, and consulting of victims and their families.
3. Perform relevant and specific laboratory tests with scientific industry standard techniques as related to the forensic science of crime scene investigation, analysis and interpretation.
4. Prepare testimonial evidence and demonstration of physical evidence for criminal and civil court processes.
5. Demonstrate the ability to present technical information, without bias, in a manner suitable for various targeted audiences, in written form and/or oral presentation as related to event reconstruction.
General Course Information

Course Format: TBA
Course Days/Times: TBA
Location: TBA
Instructor Name: TBA
Instructor Email/Phone Contact: TBA
Instructor Office Hours: TBA

Instructor notation: The general course information, as well as the following instructor policies, shall be either 1) edited to provide current information or 2) provided in a separate supplement.

Course Grading Basis

Evaluation Methods: Please see individualized instructor policies for course evaluation methods. Students will be assessed on the same measure, across each discipline, as per CBC guidelines. This should include a list of all requirements subject to assessment, dates due, assessment calculations, and instructor policy addressing late submissions.

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**Total:** 100%

**Instructor should remain in relevant range of stated weights**

CRIJ/CJSA Program Course Scale:

Final grades for all CRIJ/CJSA courses will be based in the following manner:

A = 90% - 100%
B = 80% - 89%
C = 70% - 79%
D = 60% - 69%
F = 59% or Below
Course Subject Matter Outline

Application of Prior Material from Criminalistics I and II

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Class Attendance and Classroom Conduct Policies

Attendance Policy: Please see individualized instructor policies for attendance, which is pursuant to any related policy as outlined by the college handbook, financial aid agreements, or any other college related understanding (e.g. athletic, organizations)

Technical Support:

| Email Support:       | helpdesk@coastalbend.edu           |
|                     | cabrigo@coastalbend.edu            |
| Telephone Support:  | 866-722-2838 ext. 2508 (Toll Free) |
|                     | 361.354.2508 (Direct Line)         |
| Live Chat:          | Fall/Spring Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. |
|                     | Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. |

Tutoring Services: Coastal Bend College offers free tutoring services to all CBC students who need academic assistance. Services include One-on-One, Group, and Online tutoring to all current CBC students. The Tutoring Coordinator’s office is at CBC-Beeville in the Student Success Center (SSC), Room 140 which is in the R.W. Dirks building. The SSC’s hours of operation are Monday - Thursday from 8 am – 8 pm. Tutoring services are also available at all the CBC site locations and students can visit the site’s SSC. For questions regarding tutoring services, please contact the CBC Tutoring Coordinator at (361) 354-2838 ext. 2578 or visit us at our website at: http://coastalbend.edu/tutoring/.
Grady C. Hogue Learning Resource Center (Library): Located on the Beeville campus, the operation hours are Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. (Summer semesters will observe the CBC campus operation hours.) For locations and hours of CBC library in Alice, Kingsville, and Pleasanton sites please visit the library web page links below.

Grady C. Hogue Learning Resource Center (Library): [http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about](http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about)
Online Catalog: [http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/catalog](http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/catalog)
Library Website: [http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about](http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about)
Hours and Locations: [http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/hours](http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/hours)
Pleasanton Public Library: [https://pleasanton.biblionix.com/](https://pleasanton.biblionix.com/)
115 N. Main St., Pleasanton, TX 78064
Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Financial Aid: Resources available for students for financial aid, work study, and veteran benefits. For additional information, visit our website at [www.coastalbend.edu/finaid](http://www.coastalbend.edu/finaid) or contact us at 361-354-2238. Office hours: Monday-Thursday 7-6 and Friday 8-5 (THECB 60x30TX compliance.)

ADA Statement: No qualified individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of the College District, or be subjected to discrimination by the College District. Nor shall the College District exclude or otherwise deny equal services, programs, or activities to an individual because of the known disability of an individual with whom the individual is known to have a relationship or association. 42 U.S.C. 12132; 28 CFR 35.130(g).

See at: [GA (Legal)](http://www.coastalbend.edu/ga)

Student with Disabilities: Please notify your instructor of any modification/adaptation you may require to accommodate a disability-related need. You will need to provide documentation to the Director of Student Services so the most appropriate accommodations can be determined. Specialized services are available through the Office of Disability Services (SSB 4.104, 471-6259). For more information contact (361) 354-2300.

Scholastic Dishonesty: Each student is charged with notice and knowledge of the contents and provisions of Coastal Bend College's rules and regulations concerning student conduct. All students shall obey the law, show respect for properly constituted authority, and observe correct standards of conduct. Scholastic
dishonesty shall constitute a violation of these rules and regulations and is punishable as prescribed by Coastal Bend College Policies FLB (Local) and FM (Local). Scholastic dishonesty shall include, but not be limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. See at: FLB (Local) and FM (Local).

Use of E-mail for Official Correspondence to students: All students should be familiar with the college’s official email student notification policy. Students are expected to check their CBC email on a frequent and regular basis to stay current with college-related communications, recognizing that certain communications may be time-critical.

Copyright Law and Intellectual Property Rights Policy: Copyright is the right of an author, artist, composer or other creator of a work of authorship to control the use of his or her work by others. Protection extends to literary works, musical works, dramatic works, pantomimes and choreographic works, pictorial and graphic works, sculpture, motion pictures and other audiovisual works, sound recordings and architectural works. Generally speaking, a copyrighted work may not be reproduced by others without the copyright owner’s permission. The public display or performance of copyrighted works is similarly restricted. Generally, the unauthorized reproduction, performance or distribution of a copyrighted work is copyright infringement and may subject the infringer to civil and criminal penalties. The Fair Use Doctrine outlines exceptions to this Law and is outlined in Coastal Bend College Policy, CT (Legal).

Coastal Bend College, its faculty, students and employees must comply with Copyright Law. Detailed information on Copyright Law and Intellectual Property Rights is available in Coastal Bend College Policy CT (Legal) and CT (Local).

Questions regarding this information should be directed to the Director of Library Services at: library@coastalbend.edu or the Office of Marketing and Public Relations at: socialmedia@coastalbend.edu.

Intellectual Property: Student/Third Party Works: Rights to copyrightable or patentable works created by a student or a third party, that is, not a College District employee, shall reside with the author/creator. Detailed information on Copyright Law and Intellectual Property Rights is available in Coastal Bend College Policy CT (Legal) and CT (Local).

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NOTE: The College website (www.coastalbend.edu) serves as the main source with the most current version of the Coastal Bend College Board Policies and the Coastal Bend College Catalog.

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