



Coastal Bend COLLEGE

Master Course Syllabus

CRIJ 2323

LEGAL ASPECTS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

*****NOTE TO STUDENT*****

PARALLEL COURSE: CJSA 2300

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:

<p><i>Jarod Bleibdrey</i> <i>Dean of Career and Technical Education</i> <i>361-354-2339</i> <i>jbleibdrey@coastalbend.edu</i></p>	<p><i>Lisa C. Bowman-Bowen</i> <i>Public and Professional Services Coordinator</i> <i>(361) 664-2981 ext. 3005</i> <i>lbowman-bowen@coastalbend.edu</i></p>
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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: Police authority; responsibilities; constitutional constraints; laws of arrest, search, and seizure; police liability

Semester Hours Credit: 3

Lecture/Lab Hours: 3/0

Course Capacity: 40 for Online, 30 for Face-to-Face Modalities (up to a +5 override with instructor approval)

Prerequisite: None Required

Textbook(s): "Criminal Procedure: Law and Practice" 10th Ed., by del Carmen & Hemmens, Cengage Publishing, *This course utilizes an inclusive access whereby the student is provided a link to access the eBook. Further information will be provided by instructor.



Course Objectives

Student Learning Outcomes – Subject Matter Specific (SLOS):

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Define police authority
2. Explain the responsibilities and constitutional restraints as enumerated in the Texas Constitution, United States Constitution, and Bill of Rights.
3. Outline the law of arrest and search and seizure developed through court decisions
4. Describe the criminal and civil liability that result from improper acts and/or the failure to act.

Student Learning Outcomes – Marketable SCAN Skills (SLOM):

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Demonstrate critical thinking skills in the use of logic and reasoning for the determination of legal application for probable cause, basis for arrest, and search warrant execution.
2. Utilize learned strategies for the selection of proper methods and procedures in relation to 4th Amendment requirements on search and seizure.
3. Determine proper judgment and decision-making as related to the legal use of force and potential consequences of officer liability and responsibility.
4. Display skills of assessing performance, time management, and effective conveyance of information as part of mock simulations and/or post-review discussions on the legal aspects of law enforcement.

Program Level (PLO)(as related to this course)

This course provides instructional elements in partial requirements to the following:

1. Prepare testimonial evidence and demonstration of physical evidence for criminal and civil court processes.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of relevant equipment, policies, procedures, and strategies to promote effective local, state, or national security and safety operations for the protection of people, data, property, and institutions.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of laws, legal codes, court procedures, precedents, government regulations, executive orders, agency rules, and the democratic political process, with emphasis on Federal and State constitutions.
4. 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.

Activity Types	SLOS	SLOM	PLO	Weights (%)
Introductory quiz and/or introductory access to Blackboard or 3 rd party platform				5
Periodic quizzes and/or Mid-term assessments	1	1, 2	2, 3	30
In-Class activities and/or discussions	2, 3, 4	3, 4	2, 3	25
Mock Simulation assignments, participation, and/or paper submission	4	3, 4	1, 4	25
Final Assessment	1	1, 2	2, 3	15
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

1. The Court System, Sources of Rights, and Fundamental Principles.
2. Overview of the Criminal Justice Process.
3. Probable Cause and Reasonable Suspicion.
4. The Exclusionary Rule.
5. Stop and Frisk and Stationhouse Detention.
6. Arrests and Use of Force; With and without warrants
7. Searches and Seizures of Things.
8. Motor Vehicle Stops, Searches, and Inventories; Special Needs and Regulatory Searches
9. Plain View, Open Fields, Abandonment, and Border Searches.
10. Lineups and Other Means of Pretrial Identification.
11. Confessions and Admissions: Miranda v. Arizona; Interrogations
12. Basic Constitutional Rights of the Accused during Trial.
13. Sentencing, the Death Penalty, and Other Forms of Punishment.
14. Legal Liabilities of Law Enforcement Officers; Qualified Immunity
15. Electronic Surveillance and the War on Terror.
16. Mock Simulations Wrap-Up Discussions

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/>.

Beeville	Alice	Kingsville	Pleasanton
3800 Charco Road Beeville, TX 78102 1-866-722-2838	704 Coyote Trail Alice, TX 78332 1-866-891-2981	1814 Brahma Blvd. Kingsville, TX 78363 1-866-262-1615	1411 Bensdale Pleasanton, TX 78064 1-866-361-4222

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>

Online Catalog : <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/catalog>

Library Website: <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about>

Hours and Locations: <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/hours>

Pleasanton Public Library: <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 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 \(Legal\)](#)

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.

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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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