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PALOMAR COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD FOR
DEGREE CREDIT COURSE

 x Transfer course x A.A. degree applicable course
(check all that apply)

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: AJ 174 POLICE RESERVE OFFICER I COURSE

UNIT VALUE: 14

MINIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTER HOURS: 360 Hours (6 lecture; 8 lecture/lab)

BASIC SKILLS REQUIREMENTS:

Appropriate language skills

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

PREREQUISITE: Completion of AJ 172 and AJ 173, free from felony or domestic violence conviction.

COREQUISITE: None.

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION: None.

SCOPE OF COURSE:

A 360-hour course of instruction mandated and certified by Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) for individuals functioning as a Level I Police Reserve Officer. Topics include victimology, juvenile laws and procedures, controlled substances, alcohol beverage control (ABC) law, vehicle operations, patrol techniques, crowd control, domestic violence, traffic law and accident investigation, criminal investigation, gangs, and police fitness.

SPECIFIC COURSE OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe police officer responsibility to crime victims.
2. List the elements to the 25 common crimes.
3. Discuss search and seizure and its application to the patrol officer.
4. Operate an emergency vehicle in a safe and legal manner.

5. Describe patrol tactics and strategies.
6. Defend themselves against assaults.
7. Discuss steps taken during preliminary criminal investigations.
8. Pass a POST-required fitness examination.
9. Demonstrate legal, tactical, and safe procedures in handling 13 POST-required scenarios.

CONTENT IN TERMS OF SPECIFIC BODY OF KNOWLEDGE:

- I. Victimology
 - A. Society's views
 - B. Legal requirements
- II. Law
 - A. Crime elements
 - B. Criminal procedures
 - C. Search and seizure
 - D. Juvenile procedures
- III. Vehicle Operations
 - A. Legal aspects
 - B. Vehicle dynamics
 - C. Simulator practice
 - D. Vehicle inspections/maintenance
 - E. Practical driving exercises
 - F. High speed exercises
- IV. Traffic
 - A. Law
 - B. Accident investigation
- V. Criminal Investigation
 - A. Crime scene projection
 - B. Crime scene notes and documentation
 - C. Evidence identification and collection
 - D. Investigative techniques
- VI. Weaponry
 - A. Basic qualification
 - B. Tactical handgun
 - C. Tactical shotgun
- VII. Gangs
 - A. Defined
 - B. Identification
 - C. Laws applicable
 - D. Patrol tactics involving gangs

VIII. Fitness

- A. Health/Diet/Disablers
- B. Fitness program
- C. Exercise lab
- D. Testing

IX. Testing

- A. POSTRAC
- B. Scenario

REQUIRED READING:

State of California. Penal and Traffic Codes, 1998. San Clemente: Law Tech Publishing Co., Inc. 1998.

SUGGESTED READING:

Handouts.

REQUIRED WRITING:

Three traffic accident reports, three criminal investigation follow-up reports.

OUTSIDE ASSIGNMENTS:

Students are expected to spend a minimum of three hours per unit per week in class and on outside assignments, prorated for short term classes.

Study for POSTRAC Knowledge Domain exams.

INSTRUCIONAL METHODOLOGY:

Check all that apply:

- X lecture
- laboratory
- X lecture-laboratory combination
- directed study

This course may be offered as a distance education course and meets Title 5 regulations 55370, 55372, 55374, 55376, 55378, and 55380.

Yes No

If yes, check all that apply: (See guidelines for preparation for definitions.)

- telecourse
- mediated instruction
- computer assisted instruction

GRADING POLICY AND STANDARDS (include methods of determining whether the stated objectives have been met by students):

Average of POSTRAC Knowledge Domain exams; Pass/Fail evaluation of physical skills techniques.

IS COURSE REPEATABLE FOR REASON(S) OTHER THAN DEFICIENT GRADE?

Yes _____ No Number of times course may be taken for credit: 1.

If yes, identify specific provision of Title 5 Division 2 section(s) 55761-55763 and 58161 which qualifies course as repeatable:

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SIGNATURES ON FILE
