



# TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF THE LOWCOUNTRY

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## Criminal Investigation/Public Service/Traffic Enforcement CRJ 275

### Course Description

This course is a comprehensive study of patrol officer duties and the use of a variety of police tools. Topics include public service and presentation, radio and electronic communications, constitution law, report writing, traffic and criminal investigations and enforcement.

3 Cr (2 lect, 1 lab, pres: CRJ 101, Eng 100)

### Course Focus

The student will learn tactics and techniques officers use while patrolling.

### Text and References

### Course Goals

The following list of course goals will be addressed in the course. These goals are directly related to the performance objectives.

1. Learn the components of the legal system
2. Discuss the constitutional impact on equal protection
3. Apply 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment to law enforcement
4. Understand arrests and search warrants
5. Explain warrantless searches
6. Discuss the impact of *Terry v. Ohio*
7. Apply the police Continuum of Contacts
8. Determine the consequences for violating the 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment
9. Define arrest
10. Determine whether an arrest is constitutional
11. Determine what force may be used to make an arrest
12. Cite and explain the use of force continuum
13. Determine who may arrest
14. Discuss the rights guaranteed by the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
15. Explain *Miranda v. Arizona*
16. Cite a version of the Miranda Warning
17. Determine current issues with the *Miranda* decision
18. Identify a crime scene

19. Preserve the evidence at a crime scene
20. Search a crime scene
21. Collect evidence at a crime scene
22. Complete proper forms for submission of evidence
23. Understand the Uniform Rules of Evidence
24. Determine the types of evidence
25. Contrast guilty actions and guilty mind
26. Distinguish between reasonable suspicious and probable cause
27. Understand the different type of searches
28. Compare and contrast plain view verse plain feel
29. Understand the importance of the “fruits of a poisonous tree” doctrine
30. Define the exclusionary
31. Explain exceptions to the exclusionary rule
32. Debate *Mapp v. Ohio*
33. Understand community policing
34. Identify community policing program
35. Understanding survival techniques
36. Operating a patrol vehicle
37. Understanding the dynamics of a traffic stop
38. Perform a felony traffic stop
39. Complete a traffic stop
40. Complete required reports/citations in traffic stop
41. Make an arrest
42. Complete all reports as they relate to an arrest
43. Prepare for court
44. Research the criminal code and traffic code

## **Student Contributions**

Each student will spend at least 6 hours per week preparing for class. Attendance is critical in this class. It is the responsibility of the student to take the exams and complete the research within the specified due dates. The syllabus is subject to change. All changes will be discussed and students will be accountable for such changes.

## **STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**

The Technical College of the Lowcountry is committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all qualified applicants for admissions or employment without regard to race, gender, national origin, age, religion, marital status, veteran status, disability, or political affiliation or belief.

## **ADA STATEMENT**

The Technical College of the Lowcountry provides access, equal opportunity and reasonable accommodation in its services, programs, activities, education and employment for individuals with disabilities. To request disability accommodation, contact the counselor for students with disabilities at (843) 525-8228 during the first ten business days of the academic term.

## **ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT**

There is no tolerance at TCL for academic dishonesty and misconduct. The College expects all students to conduct themselves with dignity and to maintain high standards of responsible citizenship.

It is the student's responsibility to address any questions regarding what might constitute academic misconduct to the course instructor for further clarification.

The College adheres to the Student Code for the South Carolina Technical College System. Copies of the Student Code and Grievance Procedure are provided in the *TCL Student Handbook*, the Division Office, and the Learning Resources Center.

### **ATTENDANCE**

The College's statement of policy indicates that students must attend **ninety percent of total class hours** or they will be in violation of the attendance policy.

- Students not physically attending class during the first ten calendar days from the start of the semester must be dropped from the class for NOT ATTENDING.
- Students taking an online/internet class must sign in **and** communicate with the instructor within the first ten calendar days from the start of the semester to indicate attendance in the class. Students not attending class during the first ten calendar days from the start of the semester must be dropped from the class for NOT ATTENDING.
- Reinstatement requires the signature of the division dean.

In the event it becomes necessary for a student to withdraw from the course OR if a student stops attending class, it is the student's responsibility to initiate and complete the necessary paperwork. Withdrawing from class may have consequences associated with financial aid and time to completion.

When a student exceeds the allowed absences, the student is in violation of the attendance policy. The instructor MUST withdraw the student with a grade of "W", "WP", or "WF" depending on the date the student exceeded the allowed absences and the student's progress up to the last date of attendance  
*or*

o under extenuating circumstances and at the discretion of the faculty member teaching the class, allow the student to continue in the class and make-up the work. This exception must be documented at the time the allowed absences are exceeded.

Absences are counted from the first day of class. There are no "excused" absences. All absences are counted, regardless of the reason for the absence.

- A student must take the final exam or be excused from the final exam in order to earn a non-withdrawal grade.

A copy of TCL's **STATEMENT OF POLICY NUMBER: 3-1-307 CLASS ATTENDANCE (WITHDRAWAL)** is on file in the Division Office and in the Learning Resources Center.

### **ONLINE ATTENDANCE PROCEDURE**

For all online courses, students must complete an assignment designated by the instructor during the first week of classes. The instructor will drop the student from the course if the initial assignment is not completed.

Instructors will withdraw students from the class when 90% attendance is not maintained. Attendance in an online course is defined by regular course access and by timely completion of assignments as required by the instructor. Each student will be expected to access the web class at least once a week and complete 90% of assignments on time. Additional access is encouraged and may be necessary for successful completion of classes.

Failure to log in and complete assignments will result in the student being withdrawn from the course. The instructor will assign a grade of “W,” “WP,” or “WF” based upon the student’s academic standing as the last date of attendance, which is the last login. Students are responsible for any financial matters associated with an administrative withdrawal. If a fails to email the instructor (using the my.tcl.edu email account) requesting to be dropped from the course and has not submitted the initial assignment required during the first week of class, the instructor will assign a “Never Attended” code in the student information system (web-advisor) no later than ten calendar days after the first day of the class. Students who are dropped as a result of never attending the course are still responsible for all fees associated with the course.

## **HAZARDOUS WEATHER**

In case weather conditions are so severe that operation of the College may clearly pose a hardship on students and staff traveling to the College, notification of closing will be made through the following radio and television stations: WYKZ 98.7, WGCO 98.3, WGZO 103.1, WFXH 106.1, WWVV 106.9, WLOW 107.9, WGZR 104.9, WFXH 1130 AM, WLVH 101.1, WSOK 1230 AM, WAEV 97.3, WTOC TV, WTGS TV, WJWJ TV, and WSAV TV. Students, faculty and staff are highly encouraged to opt in to the Emergency Text Message Alert System. <http://www.tcl.edu/current-students/text-alert>

## **EMERGENCY TEXT MESSAGE ALERT**

Students, faculty and staff are highly encouraged to opt in to the Emergency Text Message Alert System. Participants receive immediate notification of emergency events and weather cancellations via text messaging on their cell phones. Participants can also opt in to receive non-emergency news and announcements. Go to [www.tcl.edu](http://www.tcl.edu). On the homepage, click on “emergency TextAlert at TCL” and fill out the form or go to <http://www.tcl.edu/current-students/text-alert>

## **Course Evaluation**

Your performance objective and exams will be translated to points and the points to grades. There are 100 possible points and grades will be earned as follows:

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60-69

## **Tests and Quizzes**

The final examination is a comprehensive examination of previous lecture and consists of multiple-choice, true-false, fill-in the blank, and essay questions. It is valued at 20% of the final grade.

## **Assignments**

Each student is required to complete a research on community policing. Students will provide a proposal for a new community policing program. Proposal is valued at 20% of final grade.

## **Practicum**

Each student will be required to successfully complete traffic stops (to include felony traffic stop). Traffic stop is valued at 15% of final grade.

Each student will be required to successfully perform an arrest (misdemeanor and felony). Arrest is valued at 15% of final grade.

Each student will be required to successfully perform in traffic court. Traffic court is valued at 15% of final grade.

Each student will be required to successfully demonstrate proper techniques for responding to a call. Responding to a call is valued at 15% of final grade.

## **SAFETY ADDENDUM**

### **Purpose.**

The purpose of this safety addendum is to provide each student with safety guidelines during an incident, emergency, or disaster at TCL. In addition, it provides students guidelines for lockdown procedures, evacuation procedures, and active shooter.

### **Definitions**

**An incident** is any event, potential or actual, that may impact normal operations but has no immediate health or life threatening consideration or serious effect on the overall functional capacity of the College. An event of this nature should be reported to the Office of the Vice President for Administrative Services. Also notify the off-site campus administrator if applicable.

**An emergency** is any incident, potential or actual, which may endanger life or health or which affects an entire building or buildings, and will disrupt the overall operations of the College. Outside emergency services will probably be required, as well as major efforts from campus support services. Major policy considerations and decisions will usually be required from the college administration during times of crises. An emergency should be reported immediately by directly using **911** if life or health/injury considerations exist and then to the Office of the President or Vice President for Administrative Services as quickly as possible. Also notify the off-site campus administrator if applicable.

**A disaster** is any event or occurrence that has taken place and has seriously impaired or halted the operations of the College. In some cases, mass personnel casualties and severe property damage may be sustained. A coordinated effort of all campus-wide resources is required to effectively control the situation. Outside emergency services will be essential. In all cases of disaster, an Emergency Control Center will be activated, and the appropriate support and operational plans will be executed. The disaster should be immediately reported, first by calling **911** and then to the Office of the President or Vice President for Administrative Services. Also notify the off-site campus administrator if applicable.

### **Types of Emergencies**

- Hurricane
- Tornado
- Fire
- Biochemical or Radiation Spill
- Explosion/Bomb
- Downed Aircraft (crash which directly impacts campus operations)
- Utility Failures
- Violent or criminal behavior
- Psychological Crisis

### **Procedures**

#### **Active Shooter**

Run/hide/fight (<http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cirg/active-shooter-and-mass-casualty-incidents/run-hide-fight-video>)

### **Building Evacuation**

1. Building evacuations occur when an alarm sounds and/or upon notification by Security or the Emergency Director.
2. When the building evacuation alarm is activated during an emergency, individuals should exit according to the building evacuation plan and alert others to do the same.
3. Once outside, individuals should proceed to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the affected building. Streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways should be kept clear for emergency vehicles and personnel.
4. Individuals should not return to an evacuated building unless told to do so by Security or the Emergency Director.
5. Individuals should assist persons with disabilities in exiting the building. Elevators are reserved for disabled persons

### **Campus Evacuation**

1. A uniformed Security Guard, the Emergency Director, or an Emergency Resource Team member will announce evacuation of all or part of the campus grounds.
2. All persons (students and staff) are to immediately vacate the campus, or in the case of a partial evacuation relocate to another part of the campus grounds as directed.

### **Lockdown**

1. Clear the halls
2. Report to the nearest classroom/office
3. Assist those needing special assistance
4. Ensure classroom/office doors are closed and locked
5. Turn off lights
6. Stay away from doors and windows (out of the line of sight)
7. BE QUIET and follow instructor's directions
8. Silence cell phones
9. Wait for the "All Clear" before leaving

### **Course Schedule**