

# BUTTE COLLEGE

## COURSE OUTLINE

### I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

**AJLE 140 - Law Enforcement Academy**

**34.5 Unit(s)**

**Prerequisite(s):** (See Catalog for Program Admission Criteria)

**Co-requisite(s):** AJLE 100

**Recommended Prep:** NONE

**Transfer Status:** NT

457 hours Lecture

384 hours Lab

This 23-week course prepares the student for a career as a peace officer under the authority of the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.). The curriculum covers learning domains ranging from academic subjects on criminal law, investigation and patrol procedures to psychomotor skills on defensive tactics, firearms training, driving skills and officer-violator contacts. The successful completion of this course will allow the student to be employed as a peace officer in California (valid for three years after graduation) and lead to the issuance of a Basic Law Enforcement Certificate from P.O.S.T. after one year of approved field service at a law enforcement agency. Graded only.

### II. OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Meet or exceed the requirements as set forth by Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) for California Peace Officer Training with the exception of LD-32 Lifetime Fitness.
- B. Demonstrate, through written exams, crime scene scenario testing, and manipulative skills, core competencies as mandated by P.O.S.T.

### III. COURSE CONTENT

#### **A. Unit Titles/Suggested Time Schedule**

	Lecture	
<u>Topics</u>		<u>Hours</u>
1. (LD-1) Leadership, Professionalism and Ethics		10.00
2. (LD-2) Criminal Justice System		4.00
3. (LD-3) Policing in the Community		18.00
4. (LD-4) Victimology/Crisis Intervention		6.00
5. (LD-5) Introduction to Criminal Law		6.00
6. (LD-6) Property Crimes		10.00
7. (LD-7) Crimes Against Persons		14.00
8. (LD-8) General Criminal Statutes		4.00
9. (LD-9) Crimes Against Children		6.00
10. (LD-10) Sex Crimes		8.00
11. (LD-11) Juvenile Law and Procedures		6.00
12. (LD-12) Controlled Substances		14.00
13. (LD-13) ABC Law		4.00
14. Officer Survival		7.00
15. (LD-15) Laws of Arrest		12.00

16. (LD-16) Search and Seizure	12.00
17. (LD-17) Presentation of Evidence	8.00
18. (LD-18) Investigative Report Writing	40.00
19. (LD-19) Vehicle Operations	8.00
20. (LD-20) Use of Force	16.00
21. (LD-21) Patrol Techniques	10.00
22. (LD-22) Vehicle Pullovers	6.00
23. (LD-23) Crimes In Progress	12.00
24. (LD-24) Handling Disputes/Crowd Control	12.00
25. (LD-25) Domestic Violence	12.00
26. (LD-26) Unusual Occurrences	8.00
27. (LD-27) Missing Persons	4.00
28. (LD-28) Traffic Enforcement	26.00
29. (LD-29) Traffic Accident Investigation	12.00
30. (LD-30) Crime Scenes, Evidence, Forensics	14.00
31. (LD-31) Custody	4.00
32. Tactical Communications	6.00
33. (LD-33) Arrest Methods/Defensive Tactics	6.00
34. (LD-34) First Aid and CPR	16.00
35. (LD-35) Firearms/Chemical Agents	8.00
36. (LD-36) Information Systems	6.00
37. (LD-37) People with Disabilities	8.00
38. (LD-38) Gang Awareness	12.00
39. (LD-39) Crimes Against the Justice System	4.00
40. (LD-40) Weapons Violations	8.00
41. (LD-41) Hazardous Material Awareness	8.00
42. (LD-42) Cultural Diversity/Discrimination	16.00
43. (LD-43) Emergency Management	12.00
44. Academy Orientation	10.00
45. Social Media	4.00
Total Hours	457.00

#### Lab

<u>Topics</u>	<u>Hours</u>
1. (LD-18) Investigative Report Writing	18.00
2. (LD-19) Vehicle Operations	36.00
3. (LD-21) Patrol Techniques	6.00
4. (LD-22) Vehicle Pullovers	14.00
5. (LD-23) Crimes in Progress	8.00
6. (LD-24) Handling Disputes/Crowd Control	4.00
7. (LD-29) Traffic Accident Investigation	4.00
8. (LD-33) Arrest Methods/Defensive Tactics	80.00
9. (LD-34) First Aid and CPR	6.00

10.	(LD-35) Firearms/Chemical Agents	84.00
11.	(LD-43) Emergency Management	4.00
12.	Career Paths	8.00
13.	Crime Scene Scenario Testing	40.00
14.	Crime Scene Scenario Practice	20.00
15.	Learning Domain Tests	26.00
16.	Registration	2.00
17.	Equipment Issuance	2.00
18.	Program Culmination Ceremony	2.00
19.	Culmination Ceremony Rehearsal	2.00
20.	Courtroom Testimony	8.00
21.	Computer Orientation	2.00
22.	Patrol Readiness	8.00
	Total Hours	384.00

#### **IV. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION**

- A. Lecture
- B. Group Discussions
- C. Homework: Students are required to complete two hours of outside-of-class homework for each hour of lecture
- D. Demonstrations
- E. Reading Assignments
- F. Manipulative skills training which includes range, driving, and defensive tactics training.

#### **V. METHODS OF EVALUATION**

- A. Written Examinations
- B. Performance Examinations

#### **VI. EXAMPLES OF ASSIGNMENTS**

- A. Reading Assignments
  - 1. Read each of the 42 P.O.S.T Learning Domain Student Workbooks, and be prepared to discuss in class.
  - 2. Read assigned sections of the California Penal Code that correspond to specific Learning Domains, and be prepared to discuss in class.
- B. Writing Assignments
  - 1. Complete the written Learning Activities at the end of each chapter in each of the 42 POST Learning Domain Student Workbooks.
  - 2. In LD-18, Investigative Report Writing, prepare written police reports from 125 to 1000 words in length for each of the twelve assignments.
- C. Out-of-Class Assignments
  - 1. In conjunction with LD-21, approach a stranger in a public place, initiate conversation with them, and be prepared to discuss in class what you experienced and what you learned in the conversation.
  - 2. In conjunction with LD-26 and LD-40, go to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) web page, complete the courses of study for ICS-100, Introduction to the Incident Command System for Law Enforcement, and ICS-700, Introduction to the National Incident Management System, print certificates of completion and turn them in for credit.

## **VII. RECOMMENDED MATERIALS OF INSTRUCTION**

### Textbooks:

- A. Publishers Group, LLC. Street Drugs. 2013 Edition. Publishers Group, LLC, 2013.
- B. Department of Motor Vehicles. California Vehicle Code. 2014 Edition. Department of Motor Vehicles, 2014.
- C. Thomson West. California Penal Code. 2014 Edition. Thomson West, 2014.
- D. Department of Transportation. D.O.T. Emergency Guidebook. 2012 Edition. Department of Transportation, 2012.

### Materials Other Than Textbooks:

- A. 42 POST Learning Domain workbooks, on DVD (current editions as mandated by POST)
- B. Visual Aid Equipment
- C. Traffic Cones
- D. Vehicles
- E. Weapons
- F. Fingerprint Supplies
- G. Hand Held Radios
- H. Targets
- I. Riot Baton
- J. Handcuffs

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