

# Lassen Community College Course Outline

## AJ-58 Perishable Skills for Peace Officers

1.0 Units

### I. Catalog Description

This Course is designed for current peace officers to meet California Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) mandated bi-annual perishable skills training requirements. Students will receive refresher knowledge and skills in officer safety, proper and safe firearms handling, storage and cleaning techniques, proper and safe tactical movement, arrest and control techniques, safe and efficient driver awareness techniques, and effective verbal and non-verbal use of force and/or communications used in policing. Enrollment limited to current California peace officers. Course instructor signature required for enrollment. Material fees of \$10.00 per student collected at time of registration. Course may be repeated as needed for recertification.

**Recommended Preparation:** Successful completion of ENGL105 or equivalent multiple measures placement.

Transfer Status: Not for Transfer

20 hours lecture, 40 hours out-of-class, total student learning 60 hours.

Scheduled: Spring/Fall

### II. Coding Information

Repeatability: None

Grading Option: Pass/No Pass

Credit Type: Credit – Not Degree Applicable

TOP Code: 210500

### III. Course Objectives

#### A. Course Student Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate a minimum standard of tactical handgun proficiency
2. Demonstrate a minimum standard of arrest and control skills
3. Demonstrate knowledge of the basic components of communication skills and techniques
4. Demonstrate knowledge of Driver Training/Awareness skills and techniques
5. Demonstrate knowledge of use of force laws.

### IV. Course Content

#### Part 1. STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS

A. Officer Safety –S.A.F.E.R

B. Understanding Escalation Versus De-Escalation

C. Communication elements

D. People with Disabilities

E. Team Communication During a Critical Incident

F. Class Exercises/Student Evaluation

#### Part 2. DRIVER TRAINING

- A. Basic driving principles
- B. Legal and moral aspects
- C. Defensive driving
- D. Maneuvering course exercises

#### Part 3. ARREST AND CONTROL TECHNIQUES

- A. Safety considerations
- B. Use of force policies and legal issues
- C. Body physics and dynamics/suspect reaction to force
- D. Physical conditioning
- E. Body balance, stance and movement
- F. Search techniques, control hold, takedown, handcuffing, de-escalation, and verbal commands

#### Part 4. FIREARMS

- A. Lethal force overview
- B. Use of force/lethal force and firearms policy
- C. POST law enforcement officers killed/assaulted (LEOKA) studies
- D. Fundamentals of shooting
- E. Five count pistol presentation
- F. Drills and courses-of-fire
- G.

#### Part 5. USE OF FORCE

- A. Policies and Legal Issues
- B. Reverence for Human Life and Duty to Intercede
- C. De-Escalation and Verbal Commands
- D. Class Exercises and Student Evaluations/Testing

## V. Assignments

### A. Appropriate Readings

Assigned handouts, literature and departmental policies.

### B. Writing Assignments

The student will be required to examine, critique, and review critical areas of each topic in relation to area of instruction in strategic communications, driver's awareness, arrest and control, firearms, and use of force.

### C. Expected Outside Assignments

Student will review assigned handouts, literature, and departmental policies to prepare for real-life situations while in the field.

### D. Specific Assignments that Demonstrate Critical Thinking

Students will show critical thinking through completion of practical scenarios and written testing.

## VI. Methods of Evaluation

## **Traditional Classroom Instruction**

Written examination and practical application.

### **VII. Methods of Delivery**

Check those delivery methods for which, this course has been separately approved by the Curriculum/Academic Standards Committee.

- Traditional Classroom Delivery                       Correspondence Delivery  
 Hybrid Delivery     Online Delivery

## **Traditional Classroom Instruction**

Lecture, PowerPoint, and other media presentations, discussions, scenarios, practical application, and student exercises.

### **VIII. Representative Texts and Supplies**

1. Federal and State codes related to course of instruction as well as student supplied agency policies on use of force and firearms.
2. Student supplied eye and ear protection, gym clothing, appropriate outdoor range attire, agency supplied vehicle, handgun, duty equipment and ammunition.
3. College supplied binder with handouts and course literature

### **IX. Discipline/s Assignment**

Administration of Justice

### **X. Course Status**

Current Status: Active

Course Originator: Thomas V. Downing

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Board Approval Date: 11/10/2020

Chancellor's Office Approval Date: 11/19/2020

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