

# ADMJ 125 - Introduction to Evidence Course Outline

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## SECTION A

**Unique ID Number** CCC000337248

**Discipline(s)** Administration of Justice

**Division** Criminal Justice Training

**Subject Area** Administration of Justice

**Subject Code** ADMJ

**Course Number** 125

**Course Title** Introduction to Evidence

**TOP Code/SAM Code** 2105.00 - Criminal Justice/Police Science\* / C -  
Occupational

**Rationale for adding this course to the curriculum** Periodic course update, textbook update, revision of course learning outcomes.

**Units** 3

**Cross List** N/A

**Typical Course Weeks** 18

**Total Instructional Hours**

### Contact Hours

**Lecture** 54.00

**Lab** 0.00

**Activity** 0.00

**Work Experience** 0.00

**Outside of Class Hours** 108.00

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**Total Contact Hours** 54

**Total Student Hours** 162

**Open Entry/Open Exit** No

**Maximum Enrollment** 35

**Grading Option**

**Catalog** The origin, development, philosophy and constitutional basis of legal evidence;  
**Description** constitutional and procedural considerations affecting arrest and search and seizure; kinds and degrees of evidence, rules, and case studies. This course covers categories of evidence as well as legal rules governing its admission or exclusion in the criminal process.

- c. Real or physical evidence
  - d. Documentary evidence
- D. Special kinds of evidence
  - a. Presumptions
  - b. Judicial notice
  - c. Inferences
- E. Witnesses - Competency
  - a. Define
  - b. Ability to narrate

- h. Law of detention
  - i. Frisk
  - j. Search of specific areas
  - k. Administrative searches
  - l. Forcible seizure of evidence
  - m. Other exceptions to the warrant requirement
- N. Self-Incrimination
- a. Scope of privilege
  - b. Granting immunity
  - c. Non-testimonial compulsion
  - d. Miranda warnings
  - e. Case law affecting custodial interrogation\
- O. Identification Procedures
- a. Photographic Array
  - b. In person "show up"
  - c. In person "line up"
- P. Discovery
- a. What is the right of discovery
  - b. Reporting and discovery procedures
  - c. Duty to preserve evidence
  - d. Grand jury
  - e. Preliminary hearing as discovery tool
  - f. Evidence unavailable for discovery
- Q. Contemporary Issues Related To Evidence In The Criminal Justice System
- a. Electronic data
  - b. Use of public surveillance data in prosecutions
  - c. Lankmark case law decisions
- R.

Papers -- For example: 1. A research paper on a landmark decision of the U.S. Supreme Court regarding application of the 4th Amendment by police. 2. A paper analyzing the application of the 4th Amendment to the search and seizure of electronic data.

**A. EXAMPLES of typical college-level textbooks (for degree-applicable courses) or other print materials.**