SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
CRIMINAL JUSTICE CAPSTONE COURSE

COURSE OUTLINE

CRJ 297-300 Independent Study: Criminal Justice Capstone Course – CRN # 97956
(CRJ 209 – Criminal Justice Capstone Course)

Instructor: John Millett
Semester: Fall 2009

Resource Materials: Provided by the Instructor

As the student advances towards graduation and career discernment, this course will present an opportunity to have the student engage themselves in meeting and interacting personally with Criminal Justice Professionals that are presently serving in one of the components of our criminal justice system, such as police, courts or corrections.

The purpose of this activity will be for the student to continue exploring further in and towards the field of criminal justice. These proven managers and administrators will share and discuss their own personal contributions and insights that they had into the changing and often challenging field of criminal justice.

The instructor will contact each selective criminal justice professional and arrange the interview in a time frame acceptable by both the instructor and student. Before and after each interview, the student will meet with the instructor. These sessions will be used to prepare the student for meeting with the professional, review interview questions composed by the students, and review responses from the interviewee.

Objectives:
With the materials and regular scheduled meetings with the instructor, the student will be able to demonstrate their ability to effectively:

1. compose and develop pertinent questions that optimize the opportunity to have the most informed and beneficial responses from any criminal justice professional
2. develop an appropriate professional demeanor to address and communicate effectively during the interview process
3. demonstrate ability to listen attentively and openly to gather information within an interview
4. analyze and present each interview in a clear and concise written report

Student Requirements:
1. read and comprehend all resource material
2. record and retain all notes for each interviewee
3. attend required meetings with instructor prior to and after each interview
4. submit a comprehensive paper for each interviewee
5. give a five to ten minute oral presentation of the information gathered from the interviews with the selected criminal justice professionals.
6. complete a 25 question multiple-choice test at the end of the semester
Grading:

Written report and presentation……………..60%
Attendance and participation………………20%
Completion of assessment examination……20%

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