Alexandria Technical and Community College

PTE 2608: Highway Safety/Accident Investigation

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4
Lecture Hours/Week: 0
Lab Hours/Week: 8
OJT Hours/Week: ***

Prerequisites:
This course requires either of these prerequisites
PTE 1500 - Introduction to Criminal Justice
LENF 1500 - Introduction to Criminal Justice

Corequisites: PTE 2505

MnTC Goals: None

Learners receive instruction in theory, operation, and use of the latest radar units and police radio. There is also emphasis in DWI, alcohol and drug, and traffic enforcement. Learners also perform defensive driving techniques. The course enables the learner to develop basic skills in crash scene management as required by Minnesota POST. Prerequisite: LENF1500.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 10/16/2023 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Apply proper RADAR operational procedures.
2. Differentiate between "moving" and "stationary" modes.
3. Define frequency, interferences, size, distance, and sensitivity.
4. Demonstrate defensive driving techniques (St. Cloud, MN).
5. Define functions of the radio/dispatch.
6. Identify proper radio controls and usage.
7. Apply statutory law to traffic-DWI offenses.
8. Perform standardized field sobriety tests-evaluate performance.
9. Explain the 169.09 code.
10. Cite the reasonable suspicion/probable cause-elements for a DWI stop/arrest.
11. Define your role and duty in crash investigation.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. The learner will successfully demonstrate, perform, and apply knowledge in the usage of police radar, radio, computer, and accident scene disciplines.
2. The learner will successfully demonstrate, apply, and define the elements and theory in the standards of field sobriety testing.
3. The learner will successfully demonstrate, perform, and apply knowledge in the usage of police radar, radio, computer, and accident scene disciplines.
4. The learner will demonstrate basic techniques in accident scene investigation.
5. The learner will successfully demonstrate and perform defensive driving techniques.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None
F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT
   As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION
   None noted