A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3
Lecture Hours/Week: 3
Lab Hours/Week: *
OJT Hours/Week: *
Prerequisites: None
Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: None

During this course, time is split between an introduction and history of the Criminal Justice System in the United States and the Juvenile Justice System in Minnesota. The curriculum includes an in depth study of law enforcement in Minnesota. This includes the peace officer licensing system, career opportunities, hiring standards, and state mandated policies. The course delivery methods include lectures, discussion, and debates on current issues.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 10/12/1999 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Understanding of the court system.
2. Understanding of the correction system.
3. Understanding of policing.
4. Information on specialized units.
7. Importance of ethical standards in policing.
8. History of juvenile justice (case law).
11. Knowledge of procedures involving children and traffic violations.
12. Knowledge of Minnesota statutes regarding the protection of children in need of protective services (CHIPS).

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. The learner will understand the evolution of law and the criminal justice system.
2. The learner will understand the challenges of the profession of law enforcement resulting from constitutional, departmental, and professional governance.
3. The learner will demonstrate an understanding of the Minnesota Juvenile Court Act and Juvenile Constitutional issues.

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

None
F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT
   As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION
   None noted