Alexandria Technical and Community College

PTE 2510: Law Enforcement and Community

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4  
Lecture Hours/Week: 4  
Lab Hours/Week: 0  
OJT Hours/Week: *.*  
Prerequisites: None  
Corequisites: None  
MnTC Goals: None

This course provides a practical overview of key issues, questions, and concepts related to peace officer interaction with the community members they serve. A heavy emphasis will be placed on police ethics, leadership, and officer influence within the individual decision making processes. Other topics include diversity, problem-solving, critical thinking, communication, and community service.

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

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Understand ethics, morals, and integrity as they relate discretionary powers.
2. Explain misconduct, corruption, gratuities, brutality, and consequences of acceptance.
3. Define and explain various styles of leadership and professional behavior management models.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Articulate the key issues, questions, and concepts related to law enforcement interactions with communities.
2. Describe the core concepts and models of community policing, community relations, and crime prevention.
3. Explain the role of ethics, leadership, and interpersonal communication in law enforcement.
4. Explain the impact of cultural diversity, professional diversity, and profiling in law enforcement.
5. Describe problem solving and decision making skills as they relate to law enforcement discretion when considering personal rights versus the safety of the public.
6. Explain the expectations of law enforcement conduct as it relates to data practices, use of force, liability, and internal affairs

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

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted