A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3
Lecture Hours/Week: 3
Lab Hours/Week: 0
OJT Hours/Week: *.*
Prerequisites: None
Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: None

This course emphasizes the origin, development, organization, functions, and jurisdiction of the Juvenile Justice System in the United States. The emphasis is on the MN Juvenile Justice System. Topic areas covered include processes and detention of juveniles; constitutional protections extended to juveniles; case disposition, juvenile statutes and court procedures relative to juvenile offenders; and laws and procedures regarding child abuse, child neglect, juvenile records, and the juvenile court process.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:  10/13/2023 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. History and philosophy of the independent juvenile justice system and how it relates to peace officer authority.
2. Minnesota statutes and case law relating to juveniles and constitutional protections.
3. Status offenses and offenders.
4. Police interaction and custody of juveniles.
5. Child in Need of Protection or Services (CHIPS).

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Summarize definitions and concepts specific to juvenile justice.
2. Explain the history and philosophy of an independent juvenile justice system.
3. Identify procedural differences between juvenile and adult interaction.
4. Explain laws and case law specific to juveniles.
5. Examine theories specific to juvenile delinquency.

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

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted