

Course Objectives/Course Outline

Spokane Community College

Course Title: Professional Development

Prefix and Course Number: CJ 212

Course Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course, a student should be able to:

- Demonstrate the ability to professionally present themselves for a job interview
- Demonstrate the ability to excel during an oral interview
- Discuss and identify recruiting requirements for area law enforcement agencies

Outline:

- I. Course Foundation
 - A. Establish values, Class discussions
 - B. Research paper on values

- II. Presentations
 - A. Present Values
 - B. Defend Values
 - C. Presentation of Values

- III. Written Assignments
 - A. Research and complete an outline on a professional topic
 - B. Apply these results to law enforcement

- IV. Communication
 - A. Developing communication skills
 - B. Communication exercises completed in class
 - C. Emphasizing the importance self-knowledge

- V. Values
 - A. Defining core values and implementing them in a criminal justice setting
 - B. Learn agency core values

- VI. Ethics
 - A. Officer conduct and demeanor
 - B. Ethical exercises

- VII. Preparing for the interview
 - A. Identifying prospective departments.
 - B. Planning for the interview
 - C. Gathering information on local, state, and county agencies