LWE 226 - MICHIGAN CRIMINAL LAW

Course Description

The study of substantive criminal law as a means of defining and preserving social order. Sources of criminal law; classification of crimes against persons, property and public welfare; principles of criminal liability; elements necessary to establish crime and criminal intent; specific crimes and defenses; and constitutional limitations are examined. Students must be registered with LWE coordinator prior to class enrollment. Group 2 course.

Credit Hours

3

Contact Hours

3

Lecture Hours

3

Required Prerequisites

Must be approved by MCOLES and registered with the Director of the Police Academy prior to enrollment.

General Education Outcomes supported by this course

Critical Thinking - Direct

Course Learning Outcomes

Knowledge:

- · Describe the theories of substantive criminal law.
- Students will identify the elements of Michigan Criminal Laws and its application.

Application:

- Articulate case laws and the impact on enforcement of Michigan Laws
- Compare and contrast Michigan Law with Federal Law governing the same issues.

Integration:

- Critique landmark case decisions and assess the impact on laws today.
- Evaluate the elements of an offense against the facts of a situation to determine if any crimes have been committed.

Human Dimension:

- Describe the personal and societal impacts of the discretion they use in the field as a police officer.
- Articulate how applying the relevant law appropriately will obtain the best outcome for all involved.
- · See him/herself as an officer.

Caring - Civic Learning:

 Describe the ethical considerations in enforcing Michigan Criminal Law Articulate how to work with victims and/or family members of individuals that commit crimes.

Learning How to Learn:

- · Identify the best learning modality.
- · Critique real-life situations based on course concepts.