

SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY- DEL RIO CAMPUS
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DEPARTMENT NATURAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM
FALL 2024 CRIM 4305 COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: CJ 4371 & CRIM 4371: PROCEDURAL LAW

COURSE PERIOD: Online Web Course

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BIOGRAPHY:

January 1, 1999-Present: Court-At-Law Judge, Val Verde County.

August 2017 – Present: Adjunct Professor at Sul Ross State University Rio Grande College

November 2, 1990-1998: General Practice of Law with Law Offices of Gonzalez, Gonzalez & Gonzalez, 313 Pecan Street, Del Rio, Texas. Criminal Felony & Misdemeanor, Juvenile, Divorce & Child Custody, Protective Orders, Child Protective Services, Probate, Guardianships & Civil Matters.

May 4, 1986: Juris Doctorate Degree, O.W. Coburn School of Law, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

August 14, 1981: Bachelor of Arts Degree, St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas.

May 2, 1976: Del Rio High School Graduate, Del Rio, Texas.

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION STUDY HOURS:

January 1, 1999-Present: 699.00 Total CLE; 105.75 Total Ethics, State Bar of Texas.

JUDICIAL JURISDICTION:

Misdemeanor Criminal; Protective Orders Juvenile Misdemeanor & Felonies; Contested & Uncontested Probate; Guardianships; Adult Protective Services DWI DRUG Specialty Court Divorces & Child Custody Civil Matters.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This Course has been designed to provide Student(s) with a high level & thorough understanding of Criminal Procedural Law within the Criminal Justice System. Students will grasp key concepts, terms, case law and learning objectives and acquire extensive knowledge of Criminal Procedural Law within the Criminal Justice System.

COURSE MATERIALS:

“Digital Online Access” Chapter Assignments 1-15

Access MindTap through the course link provided in Blackboard. You will be taken to a new page where you will be prompted to create an account with Cengage. This is a **MUST** one-time process. If you have previously completed this step, you will be taken directly to the payment options screen. After registering for Cengage, you will be prompted to purchase access to MindTap. **FREE ACCESS** MindTap is temporarily available for the first two weeks of semester. If you are not able to purchase access after free access period has expired, you will be required to pay for access

WEB LECTURE COURSE DESIGN: Student(s) in each of

CHAPTER (1-15) may successfully accumulate up to (855) points in assignment & activities that include: Learning Objectives; Reading assignments; (2) Video Cases followed by multiple choice questions & answers; You Decide Part I & II followed by (2) video cases, as well as multiple choice question & answers; & a chapter Exam/Test.

CHAPTER COURSE TOPICS IN CRIMINAL PROCEDURAL LAW

Chapter 1: The Court System, Sources of Rights, and Fundamental Principles.

Chapter 2: Overview of the Criminal Justice System.

Chapter 3: Probable Cause and Reasonable Suspicion.

Chapter 4: The Exclusionary Rule.

Chapter 5: Stop and Frisk and Stationhouse Detention.

Chapter 6: Arrests and Use of Force.

Chapter 7: Searches and Seizures of Things.

Chapter 8: Motor Vehicle Stops, Searches, and Inventories.

Chapter 9: Plain View, Open Fields, Abandonment, and Border Searches Chapter 10: Lineups and Other Means of Pretrial Identification.

Chapter 11: Confessions and Admissions: Miranda v. Arizona.

Chapter 12: Basic Constitutional Rights of the Accused during Trial.

Chapter 13: Sentencing, the Death Penalty, and Other Forms of Punishment.

Chapter 14: Legal Liabilities of Law Enforcement Officers.

Chapter 15: Electronic Surveillance and the War on Terror.

GRADE: (70%) of grade includes a minimum score of 450 with a maximum score of 675. Students are encouraged to complete all chapter assignment activities and maximize your activity points. Example, the lower your scores and uncompleted assignment activities, the lower the grade. (30%) of your grade is based on attendance & class participation.

BEFORE EACH CLASS BEGINNING ON TUESDAY AUGUST 23, 2022 STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THEIR FIRST TWO CHAPTERS, AND TWO CHAPTERS EACH WEEK THEREAFTER IN ORDER TO BE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN CLASS.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS: Students should be prepared to devote a considerable amount of time to accomplish the requisites in this self-paced course

COMPUTER LABS: Del Rio Campus computer labs are open Monday – Thursday 8:00AM - 10:00 PM and Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM. Computer labs are not open weekends. However, students may avail themselves to the SWTJC computer labs with a valid ID. Online web course students should have available a high-speed internet connection on a regular basis for off-campus course work, exams, assignments and research.

DISHONESTY: Academic cheating and plagiarism is not acceptable behavior. It violates university policy and human ethics. If a violation occurs the penalty will result in the grade of “F” for the semester.

ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Sul Ross State University – Rio Grande College is committed to equal access in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1973. It is the student’s responsibility to initiate a request for accessibility services. Students seeking accessibility services must contact Kathy Biddick, Student Services 830-279-3003 or kbiddick@sulross.edu .