COURSE OUTLINE

JUST 415 – EMERGING ISSUES IN HOMELAND SECURITY

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A. **TITLE:** Emerging Issues in Homeland Security

B. **COURSE NUMBER:** JUST 415

C. **CREDIT HOURS:** 3

D. **WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE:** No

E. **COURSE LENGTH:** 15 weeks

F. **SEMESTER(S) OFFERED:** Spring 2018

G. **HOURS OF LECTURE, LABORATORY, RECITATION, TUTORIAL, ACTIVITY:**
   
   3 lecture hours per week

H. **CATALOG DESCRIPTION:** This course explores the evolving nature of the Homeland Security industry (Intelligence, Law Enforcement and Private-sector). It examines a number of contemporary issues and their immediate and long-term impact on Homeland security policies and practices. The roles of the media, law, the Constitution, governmental and corporate entities, and politics at the federal, state and local levels in determining and shaping Homeland Security policy and practice are considered.

I. **PRE-REQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES:**
   
   a. Pre-requisite(s): Pre-requisite: JUST 101 – Introduction to Criminal Justice
   
   b. Co-requisite(s): None

J. **GOALS (STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES):**

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

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<td>2. Identify threats to critical infrastructure posed by all-hazards.</td>
<td>1. Communication</td>
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<td>3. Summarize the alterations in the policy and practices of each level of government in response to the changing landscape of the homeland security enterprise.</td>
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<td>5. Explain the politics in the development of homeland security policy and practices.</td>
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<td>6. Describe prior problems in homeland security practices and policies and explain how they were altered.</td>
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I. Introduction to the Issues in Homeland Security
   A. Defining terrorism
   B. The agencies charged with preventing terrorism
   C. Local Law Enforcement and Homeland Security
   D. Challenges of federal, state, and local cooperation in Homeland Security
   E. Homeland Security and foreign policy
   F. Domestic Terrorism/Hate Groups/International and Global

II. Constitutional issues in Homeland Security
   A. The balance of Civil Rights and prevention of terrorism
   B. National Security and local criminal intelligence gathering
   C. Military Tribunals/Interrogations

III. Organizational Issues in Homeland Security
   A. Overlapping responsibilities
   B. State, local, and tribal bureaucracies
   C. Public/Private partnerships
   D. Thinking internationally while acting locally