STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY CANTON, NEW YORK



MASTER SYLLABUS

JUST 415 – EMERGING ISSUES IN HOMELAND SECURITY

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A. <u>TITLE</u>: Emerging Issues in Homeland Security

B. **COURSE NUMBER:** JUST 415

C. CREDIT HOURS: 3 hours per week for 15 weeks

D. WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE: No

E. **GER CATEGORY:** N/A

F. <u>SEMESTER(S) OFFERED</u>: Fall

G. <u>CATALOG DESCRIPTION</u>: 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.

H. <u>PRE-REQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES:</u>

a. Pre-requisite(s): Pre-requisite: JUST 101 – Introduction to Criminal Justice

b. Co-requisite(s): None

I. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

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

| Course Student Learning Outcome [SLO] | <u>PSLO</u> | <u>GER</u> | <u>ISLO</u> |
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| a. Summarize the events of | 1. Students will be | n/a | 1. Communication |
| September 11, 2001 and the | able to demonstrate | | (Written) |
| development of the Department | effective written and | | |
| of Homeland Security. | verbal | | |
| | communication | | |
| | skills. | | |
| b. Identify threats to critical | 2. Students will be | n/a | 1. Communication |
| infrastructure posed by all- | able to apply the core | | (Written) |
| hazards. | theories of homeland | | |
| | security. | | |
| c. Summarize the alterations in | 2. Students will be | n/a | 2. Critical Thinking |
| the policy and practices of each | able to apply the core | | (Critical Analysis) |
| level of government in response | theories of homeland | | |
| to the changing landscape of the | security. | | |
| homeland security enterprise. | | | |
| d. Explain the politics in the | 4. Students will be | n/a | 2. Critical Thinking |
| development of homeland | able to demonstrate | | (Problem Solving) |
| security policy and practices. | the ability to assess | | |
| | homeland security. | | |
| e. Describe prior problems in | 3. Students will be | n/a | 2. Critical Thinking |
| homeland security practices and | able to identify, | | (Critical Analysis) |
| | analyze and utilize | | |

| policies and explain how they | various techniques | |
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| were altered. | used in homeland | |
| | security. Students | |
| | will be able to reason | |
| | ethically and | |
| | understand their | |
| | responsibility as a | |
| | global learner. | |

| KEY | Institutional Student Learning Outcomes [ISLO | | |
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| | <u>1-5]</u> | | |
| ISLO | ISLO & Subsets | | |
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| 1 | Communication Skills | | |
| | Oral [O], Written [W] | | |
| 2 | Critical Thinking | | |
| | Critical Analysis [CA] , Inquiry & Analysis [IA] , | | |
| | Problem Solving [PS] | | |
| 3 | Foundational Skills | | |
| | Information Management [IM], Quantitative | | |
| | Lit,/Reasoning [QTR] | | |
| 4 | Social Responsibility | | |
| | Ethical Reasoning [ER], Global Learning [GL], | | |
| | Intercultural Knowledge [IK], Teamwork [T] | | |
| 5 | Industry, Professional, Discipline Specific | | |
| | Knowledge and Skills | | |

J. APPLIED LEARNING COMPONENT: Yes____ No__X_

K. $\underline{\text{TEXTS}}$:

Issues in terrorism and homeland security (2nd ed.). (2011). Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, Inc. [ISBN: 9781412992015]

- L. <u>REFERENCES</u>: N/A
- M. <u>EQUIPMENT</u>: Technology enhanced classroom
- **N. GRADING METHOD**: A-F

O. <u>MEASUREMENT CRITERIA/METHODS</u>:

- Exams
- Quizzes
- Papers
- Participation

P. <u>DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE</u>:

- 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
- **Q. LABORATORY OUTLINE:** N/A