

**Hagerstown Community College**  
**Master Syllabus**

**COURSE:** ADJ 102: American Law Enforcement, 3 credits

**DATE:** SP18

**INSTRUCTORS:** Andrew Kramer M.A., J.D., Assistant Professor & Coordinator ADJ Program, Meredith Dominick, M.A.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course introduces the student to the role of law enforcement in a democratic society. The history and philosophy of law enforcement are examined relative to current innovative practices. Current problems and solutions are offered as well as crime reducing strategies. Total of 45 hours of lecture.

**REQUIRED TEXTBOOK**

Peak, Kenneth J. and Sousa, William H. 2018. *Policing America: Challenges and Best Practices 9th ed.* Pearson. ISBN: 13 9780134526959

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

1. The student will be able to demonstrate an understanding of law enforcement agencies in the U.S. (federal, state, local) and the role they play in the criminal justice system.
2. The student will be able to define and explain the role of criminal procedures, written policies and patrol functions for law enforcement;
3. The student will be able to describe what community policing is and how it relates to the functions of patrol, example; Foot and bicycle patrols, etc.

**MINIMUM CLOCK HOURS REQUIRED FOR THIS COURSE:**

Course component	Direct faculty instruction in-class	Student work outside the classroom
In-class lecture & class work	37.5 hours	
Reading, video viewing		45 hours
Test preparation, paper/essay research and writing, meeting with instructor		30 hours
<b>Total hours required</b>	<b>37.5 hours required</b>	<b>75 hours required</b>

**Services for Students with Disabilities:** Students may receive reasonable accommodations if they have a diagnosed disability and present appropriate documentation. Students seeking accommodations are required to contact the Disability Support Services (DSS) office as early as possible. Students may contact a DSS staff member for an appointment at [dss@hagerstowncc.edu](mailto:dss@hagerstowncc.edu) or at 240-500-2530.