# Graduate Level Criminal Law Certificate in Executive Leadership and Justice Course Descriptions

#### MJ733 LAW, CRIMINAL JUSTICE & ETHICS

2 credits

This course provides a review of the U.S. Court Systems, an update on Constitutional Law and recent Supreme Court cases relating to law enforcement. The course will provide a review of such general principles that underlie civil rights and the role of ethics in law enforcement. The course will provide an introduction to potential tort policies and fundamentals and frequently encountered tort actions in the work place, business and economic injuries, governmental liability and immunity, defamation and privacy, and liability of which upper level management should be aware. The course will give students a basic understanding and knowledge of the Military Justice System. During the semester students will examine the similarities and differences between the Military Justice System and Civilian System.

### MJ734 RESEARCH & WRITING FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONALS 3 credits

An introduction to basic research skills will be provided. Emphasis will be placed on research techniques and sources that students will need to rely upon in their chosen profession. Students will gain an understanding of "scope of liability" when developing and writing policy. Learners will gain insight on how to research and evaluate specific topics that will contribute to their agency's individual needs. This course will also provide students with an opportunity to improve writing skills essential for executives in law enforcement.

## MJ 736 PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP IN LAW ENFORCEMENT 3 credits

This course will prepare students for making a successful transition from employee to manager. Student will learn the skills required to delegate responsibility and motivate employees. Students will explore the similarities and differences between effective management and leadership. This course also examines leadership theory, including topics such as teamwork, decision making, planning, and organizing.

#### MJ735 PUBLIC POLICY CRIME AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

This course explains the public policy process and applies it directly to crime and criminal justice. This course will present a solid understanding of public policy and then describe each of the various actors in the public policy process at the federal, state and local level. Students will be exposed to real-world case studies that illustrate how policy and politics impact criminal justice.

### MJ738 PLANNED CHANGE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE 3 credits

Students will discuss and examine their own ideas for change in the fields of policing, courts, or corrections. Students will explore resistances that would likely arise as their changes are introduced and how those resistances should be handled. The course will examine the need for employee involvement and collaboration in working toward organizational goals.