

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
ADJ 116 - SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT TOPICS (3 CR.)**

Course Description

Considers contemporary issues, problems and controversies in modern law enforcement. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

The purpose of this course is to provide the students with an awareness of the special problems and issues faced by law enforcement personnel in a complex and changing society.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

None

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- Provide an overview of selected problems in law enforcement
- Offer alternative methods to overcome and redirect stress
- Provide a model for professional conduct
- List the special skills, tactics and resources available to deal with special enforcement problems

Major Topics to be Included

- Discretion
- Reasonable/deadly force
- Corruption
- Professionalism
- Police stress
- Terrorism (domestic and international)
- Hostage situations
- Bombs and explosives
- Strategies for emergency situations such as demonstrations, riots and crowd control

Extra Topics (Optional)

Related topics at the discretion of the instructor.