# NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY ADJ 159 - PHYSICAL SECURITY (3 CR.)

# **Course Description**

Studies the various forms of perimeter barriers which impact upon security operations; examines insurance considerations, underwriters licensing certification, fire prevention and fire code regulations, and the general health and safety requirements for all employees and contact persons within the organization. Lecture 3 hours per week.

#### **General Course Purpose**

The purpose of this course is to provide the student with the knowledge of physical security basics and applications as well as possible solutions to the problems of physical security.

#### **Course Prerequisites/Corequisites**

None

# **Course Objectives**

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

- a) identify hazards impacting the safety and security of individuals and assets.
- b) develop plans for appropriate protection of assets utilizing physical security applications.
- c) identify potential risks and assess appropriate measures to limit risks.

# Major Topics to Be Included

- a) facility security planning.
- b) access control.
- c) barrier systems.
- d) alarm systems.
- e) physical security concepts.
- f) protective measures such as, doors, locks, keys, vaults, windows, lighting, and hardware.
- g) security surveys and threat assessments.
- h) emergency planning and homeland security issues.
- i) fire codes and regulations.
- j) OSHA standards.
- k) insurance standards.

# **Extra Topics (Optional)**

Related topics at the discretion of the instructor