

SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Course Number: LECJ 100 Department: Law Enforcement

Course Title: Criminal Procedures I Semester: FALL Year: 2003

Course Objective	Competencies
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To acquaint the student with generally employed police procedures and practice including a general review of the Criminal Justice System.2. To familiarize the student with the Bill of Rights and the 14th Amendment and relate these to the individual's basic rights guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution.3. To acquaint the student, in detail, with those major legal decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court which have a material and substantial bearing on the police investigation in major areas. Major emphasis is on 4th Amendment and 8th Amendment rights.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The student learns the Bill of Rights and the 14th amendment. Major emphasis is placed on the 4th, 8th and 14th amendments.• The primary learning technique is the case study method. The student must understand the basic arguments and principles related to the individual rights guaranteed in the U.S. Constitution. They must identify problem areas of constitutional rights.• The 4th amendment emphasis is on what is a reasonable vs. unreasonable search, what constitutes probable cause and the exceptions to the search warrant requirement. The student learns what constitutes probable cause for arrest.• The student must know the bail law. This includes the bail procedures, appeal and the factors in denying or granting bail.• The 14th amendment due process right is covered. The students learn through U.S. Supreme Court decisions how the bill of rights became applicable to state governments on case-by-case basis.