# **CRJ 154: INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE**

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### **Catalog Title:**

Introduction to Physical Evidence

Class Schedule Title: Intro Physical Evidence

Academic Group: (College)
HHS - Health & Human Services

**Academic Organization: (Department)** 

**Criminal Justice** 

Will this course be offered through the College of Continuing Education (CCE)?

No

**Catalog Year Effective:** 

Spring 2025 (2025/2026 Catalog)

Subject Area: (prefix) CRJ - Criminal Justice

Catalog Number: (course number)

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Course ID: (For administrative use only.)

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Is the only purpose of this change to update the term typically offered or the enforcement of existing requisites at registration?

In what term(s) will this course typically be offered?

Fall, Spring

Does this course require a room for its final exam?

Yes, final exam requires a room

This course complies with the credit hour policy:

Yes

Justification for course proposal:

Revising prerequisites to not include CRJ 102. A crime and theory introduction course is not necessary as a prerequisite.

Course Description: (Not to exceed 90 words and language should conform to catalog copy.)

Provides an overview of the role of science in collecting and evaluating physical evidence as a component of the criminal investigation and legal processes. Various operations in the examination and interpretation of physical evidence are examined with emphasis on the role of science in supporting the investigator and in the litigation process. Suitable for both science and non-science majors.

Are one or more field trips required with this course?

No

Fee Course?

No

Is this course designated as Service Learning?

No

Is this course designated as Curricular Community Engaged Learning?

No

Does this course require safety training?

No

Does this course require personal protective equipment (PPE)?

Νo

Does this course have prerequisites?

Yes

Prerequisite:

Restricted to declared CRJ majors or Forensic Investigation minor or chair permission.

Prerequisites Enforced at Registration?

Yes

Does this course have corequisites?

No

Graded:

Letter

Approval required for enrollment?

No Approval Required

Course Component(s) and Classification(s):

Lecture

#### **Lecture Classification**

CS#02 - Lecture/Discussion (K-factor=1WTU per unit)

#### **Lecture Units**

3

Is this a paired course?

No

Is this course crosslisted?

No

Can this course be repeated for credit?

No

Can the course be taken for credit more than once during the same term?

No

## **Description of the Expected Learning Outcomes and Assessment Strategies:**

List the Expected Learning Outcomes and their accompanying Assessment Strategies (e.g., portfolios, examinations, performances, pre-and post-tests, conferences with students, student papers). Click the plus sign to add a new row.

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	Expected Learning Outcome	Assessment Strategies
1	Demonstrate an understanding of forensic terminology and the current forensic examinations of physical evidence	assignments; exams; exercises.
2	Describe and discuss the forensic laboratory's role in police investigations and the role of forensic science in public administration and legal matters - both criminal and civil	assignments; exams.
3	Identify the forensic aspects of crime scene investigations, current methods of collecting and preserving physical evidence; and, the application of modern scientific knowledge for the crime scene investigator	assignments; exams;
4	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of class and individual characteristics as they are applied to physical evidence	assignments; exams;

### Attach a list of the required/recommended course readings and activities:

CRJ 154 Readings & Activities.pdf

Is this course required in a degree program (major, minor, graduate degree, certificate?)

No

Does the proposed change or addition cause a significant increase in the use of College or University resources (lab room, computer)?

Νo

Will there be any departments affected by this proposed course?

No

I/we as the author(s) of this course proposal agree to provide a new or updated accessibility checklist to the Dean's office prior to the semester when this course is taught utilizing the changes proposed here.

I/we agree

## **University Learning Goals**

#### **Undergraduate Learning Goals:**

Competence in the disciplines Knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world Intellectual and practical skills Personal and social responsibility

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## Integrative learning

Is this course required as part of a teaching credential program, a single subject, or multiple subject waiver program (e.g., Liberal Studies, Biology) or other school personnel preparation program (e.g., School of Nursing)?

#### No

## **GE Course and GE Goal(s)**

Is this a General Education (GE) course or is it being considered for GE?

Please attach any additional files not requested above:

CRJ 154 Syllabus.pdf

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