A. Course Description

Credits: 3

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: None

This course examines the social and psychological dynamics associated with families in crisis and the police role in providing assistance in crisis situations. This course reviews best practices working with victims of crime, including family members, juveniles, and vulnerable adults and the ethical conflicts associated to working with diverse communities. The course also serves as partial fulfillment of state required learning objectives for eligibility to become a licensed peace officer in Minnesota.

B. Course Effective Dates: 05/11/2010 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Understand what legally constitutes domestic abuse and assault and the types of domestic related court orders needed when violations occur.
2. Assess how the members of a child abuse team collaborate in the investigation of a report of child abuse and how family dynamics impact child abuse reporting.
3. Identify the basic psychological and emotional stages of child development and discuss how psychological and emotional development impacts a child’s encounters and interactions with law enforcement.
4. Apply roles law enforcement and adult protection agencies play in the investigation of reports of incidents involving vulnerable adults.
5. Identify the legal requirements for law enforcement as they apply to peace officer response to crime victims.

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

This contains no goal areas.

G. Special Information

None