

Course Description

CJE4668 | Computer Crime | 3.00 credits

Synthesizes knowledge of crime elements, legal issues, investigative techniques, and computer skills used in the prevention and investigation of computer-generated crime.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will utilize computers in profiling by:

- 1. Reviewing computing fundamentals and computer related crimes
- 2. Identifying networking technologies specific to computer crime
- 3. Identifying computer crimes in the State of Florida, investigative techniques and forensic examination
- 4. Exploring administrative computing in the police environment

Competency 2: The student will analyze the techniques of forensic interviewing by:

- 1. Describing the sensitive nature of interviewing victims of computer crime
- 2. Assessing interview information
- 3. Defining techniques for gathering information
- 4. Defining the probative value of evidence

Competency 3: The student will analyze information on the Internet by:

- 1. Describing and discussing how the Internet can augment the traditional investigative methodology
- 2. Exploring the history of the Internet and emergence of cyber-crime
- 3. Exploring various Internet crimes
- 4. acquiring tools and techniques to make searches more efficient

Competency 4: The student will examine the use of computers in commercial crimes by:

- 1. Identifying various computer crimes
- 2. Examining law related to use of computers in the commission of commercial crimes
- 3. Utilizing appropriate terminology
- 4. Describing corporate and governmental protection against various computer crimes

Competency 5: The student will examine the basics of encryption by:

- 1. Comparing and contrasting various encryption terms
- 2. Recognizing cryptographic algorithms
- 3. Defining encryption protocols
- 4. Defining cryptographic techniques and key infrastructure

Competency 6: The student will explore various network exploits and vulnerabilities by:

- 1. Identifying common vulnerabilities
- 2. Defining the tools that are used to exploit vulnerabilities
- 3. Analyzing theoretical and practical issues in malicious programs and scripts
- 4. Analyzing the nature of computer worms and viruses

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Competency 7: The student will analyze computer forensics of the crime scene by:

- 1. Examining investigations by first responders
- 2. Examining digital evidence
- 3. Assessing and documenting digital evidence
- 4. Reviewing case studies

Competency 8: The student will examine the process of securing a computer network by:

- 1. Discussing firewall operation
- 2. Identifying interception and tracking measures used in Internet communications
- 3. Recognizing hacker exploits and tools
- 4. Defining the nature of proxy servers
- 5. Exploring current trends in emerging technologies

Competency 9: The student will analyze forensic behavioral science by:

- 1. Identifying violent sexual Internet offenders
- 2. Recognizing the profiles characteristics of computer criminals
- 3. Assessing investigative difficulties
- 4. Comparing the science-based methods used by police

Learning Outcomes:

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society
- Use computer and emerging technologies effectively

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