CMRJ202

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Course Summary

Course : CMRJ202 Title : Stress Management in Law Enforcement Length of Course : 8 Prerequisites : N/A Credit Hours : 3

Description

Course Description: This course will explore the stresses of law enforcement, specific stress factors in law enforcement (i.e., shift work, hazards and dangers, dealing with death and severe injury, post-shooting trauma, testifying in court, and undercover work). Methods and techniques for reducing stress will be discussed as will applying these techniques in the field.

Course Scope:

This course was designed for the student currently working in the criminal justice field who faces life and death situations everyday and is left with picking up the pieces of shattered lives. Stress and burnout is a real threat to professional law-men/women. Professional law enforcers must learn to recognize the signs and learn active techniques to deal with stress. Stress is a silent killer.

Objectives

At the conclusion of this course students will be able to:

CO1: Explore the major causes of stress for law enforcement personnel.

CO2: Compare and contrast the differences between positive and negative stress experienced by law enforcement.

CO3: Identify health risks commonly associated with stress experienced by law enforcement.

CO4: Summarize the complexities faced by law enforcement personnel when seeking assistance for stress related issues.

CO5: Evaluate approaches to managing stress in a law enforcement agency.

CO6: Recognize symptoms of stress experienced by law enforcement personnel.

CO7: Evaluate coping strategies for managing individual and organizational stress.

Outline

Week 1: Defining Stress

Weekly Learning Objective(s)

Weekly content will address specific learning objectives for each course. Learning objectives covered each week are specified in the course site.

Reading(s)

Weekly lesson and assigned readings are available in the course site.

Week 2: Occupational Stressors and Consequences

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Week 3: Critical Incident Stressors

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Reading(s)

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Week 4: War on Crime and Paramilitary Model of Policing

Weekly Learning Objective(s)

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Reading(s)

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Week 5: Policing of Terrorism and Stress

Weekly Learning Objective(s)

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Reading(s)

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Week 6: Options and Obstacles of Person-Centered Stress Providers

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Reading(s)

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Week 7: Change, Professionalism, and Hiring Process

Weekly Learning Objective(s)

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Reading(s)

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Week 8: Organizational Issues

Weekly Learning Objective(s)

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Reading(s)

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Evaluation

Forums

Instructions and grading expectations for all forums will appear in the Forums section of the course site.

Assignment(s)

Instructions and grading expectations for all assignments will appear in the Assignments section of the course site.

Exam(s)

Instructions and grading expectations for all exams will appear in the Tests & Quizzes section of the course site.

Grading:

Materials

Book Title: Various resources from the APUS Library & the Open Web are used. Links provided inside the classroom in the Lessons section.

Author:

Publication Info:

ISBN: N/A

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Course Guidelines

University Policies

Student Handbook

- Drop/Withdrawal policy
- Extension Requests
- <u>Academic Probation</u>
- <u>Appeals</u>
- Disability Accommodations

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