COURSE SYLLABUS

LAST REVIEW	Spring 2021
COURSE TITLE	Seminar: Legal Interviewing and Investigation
COURSE NUMBER	PRLG 0271
DIVISION	Social and Behavioral Sciences & Public Services
DEPARTMENT	Paralegal
CIP CODE	22.0302
CREDIT HOURS	2
CONTACT HOURS/WEEK	Class: 2
PREREQUISITES	PRLG 0121
COURSE PLACEMENT	Students must meet the correct placement measure for this course. Information may be found at: <u>https://www.kckcc.edu/admissions/information/mandatory-</u> <u>evaluation-placement.html</u>

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course, students will implement skills acquired in prerequisite courses and will study indepth legal ethics. Emphasis is on client contact.

Institutional Learning Outcomes

- Communication
- Computation and Financial Literacy
- Critical Reasoning
 - Technology and Information Literacy
- Community and Civic Responsibility
- Personal and Interpersonal Skills

TEXTBOOKS

http://kckccbookstore.com/

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

A variety of instructional methods may be used depending on content area. These include but are not limited to: lecture, multimedia, cooperative/collaborative learning, labs and demonstrations, projects and presentations, speeches, debates, panels, conferencing, performances, and learning experiences outside the classroom. Methodology will be selected to best meet student needs.

COURSE OUTLINE

I. Ethics and Professional Responsibility

- A. Confidentiality
- B. Privilege

C. Competence

- II. Conducting Interviews
 - A. Interpersonal Skills
 - B. Questioning Skills
 - C. Listening Skills
 - D. Planning Interview
 - E. Interviewing Clients
 - F. Interviewing Witnesses

III. Conducting Investigations

- A. Planning the Investigation
- B. Principles of Investigation
- C. Rules of Evidence
- D. Locating Witnesses
- E. Witness Statements

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will:

- A. CLO #1 The student shall be able to explain methods of interviewing and investigation used in the legal field.
- B. CLO #2 The student shall be able to demonstrate ability to effectively interview.
- C. CLO #3 The student shall be able to create an investigation and discovery plan for a hypothetical case.

ASSESSMENT OF COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES

Student progress is evaluated through both formative and summative assessment methods. Specific details may be found in the instructor's course information document.

COLLEGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Student Handbook https://www.kckcc.edu/files/docs/student-resources/student-handbook-and-code-of-conduct.pdf

College Catalog https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/catalog/index.html

College Policies and Statements https://www.kckcc.edu/about/policies-statements/index.html

Accessibility and Accommodations https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/resources/student-accessibility-support-services/index.html.