

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary**

Course Prefix and Number: ADJ 228

Credits: 3

Course Title: Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs

Course Description: Surveys the historical and current usage of narcotics and dangerous drugs. Teaches the identification and classification of such drugs and emphasizes the symptoms and effects on their users. Examines investigative methods and procedures utilized in law enforcement efforts against illicit drug usage. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

None

Course Objectives:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

- a. Identify and describe the categories of licit and illicit drugs;
- b. Discuss the schedule of drugs as provided for in federal laws;
- c. Identify and discuss the major areas that are sources for illicit drugs and the routes taken to import them into the United States; and
- d. Identify effects of licit and illicit drugs on users.

Major Topics to Be Included:

Identification of Licit and Illicit Drugs
Criminal Justice Approach to Drug Abuse
Educational Approach to Drug Abuse Control
Treatment approach to Drug Abuse Control
Reasons for Using Licit and Illicit Drugs in America

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: Fall, 2008