CRJ 1030 - Introduction to Law Enforcement

Course Description: CRJ 1030 - Introduction to Law Enforcement (3 cr.) Survey of the role of policing in society, including historical evolution of the concepts and methods, as well as analysis of the effectiveness of traditional and non-traditional techniques.

Scenario: Students are to write a power point presentation, using resources on the subject of law enforcement and policing. Students are required to use periodical articles as well as books.

The librarian uses a 2 page research guide as the outline for the class. Covered in detail are how to write a presentation topic and thesis statements, how to use keywords for searching databases, periodical articles, books and images. Helpful examples and resources are also included and noted briefly in the hand out.

LEARNING OUTCOMES (a=audience, b=behavior, c=condition, d=degree of accomplishment)

By identifying 3-5 keywords from the title and thesis statements for the search strategy and by limiting the search to document type in the exercise completed (d) during and shortly after the instruction session (c), students (a) will demonstrate that they know how to identify keywords and limit their search results in order to narrow their searches further (b).

Following participation in an instruction session covering use of Homeland Security Digital Library and other relevant databases (c), students (a) will show their ability to select resources available electronically or locally (d) in order to show that they are able to locate resources identified through these databases (b).

By correctly citing book and periodical resources (d) following an instruction session covering use of databases (c), students (a) will show they are able to differentiate between the types of sources found in the different databases (b) and use the APA style format (c).

Students (a) demonstrate that they know how to use keywords (b) following the research session (c) by creatively researching the different databases.

ASSESSMENT: 3/5 keywords pulled from title and thesis statements and used in search string