COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

BLOCK: 2.1

DPS ACCREDITATION #:

COURSE LEVEL: 100

INSTRUCTIONAL GOAL:

1. This course of instruction will provide the student with a basic history of the development of American law enforcement agencies from their inception to the present day.

2. This course of instruction will provide the student with an understanding of the impact reforms implemented by Sir Robert Peel had on law enforcement.

3. This course of instruction will provide the student with an understanding of the development of law enforcement in the United States, specifically in the State of New Mexico.

INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES:

1. To identify the origins of U.S. law enforcement and how it can be traced to ancient times, and through English law enforcement.

2. To identify the importance of Sir Robert Peel’s contributions through the London Metropolitan Police Act.

3. To identify and discuss the three major historical periods of American law enforcement and their affects on reform efforts.

4. To identify the police function within the context of the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of New Mexico.

5. To identify and familiarize the student with the affects of technological advances in the field of criminology and law enforcement.

6. To identify and discuss emerging trends in the future of law enforcement organizations.
INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS:  CLASSROOM LECTURE  
DISCUSSION  
ROLE PLAY  

HANDOUTS:  

COURSE DURATION:  1 HOURS  

CURRICULUM REFERENCES:  

SAFETY CONSIDERATION:  NONE  

EQUIPMENT, PERSONNEL, AND SUPPLIES NEEDED:  
COMPUTER, AUDIO AND VISUAL AIDS; WHITEBOARD  

TARGET AUDIENCE:  NEW MEXICO LAW ENFORCEMENT CADETS AND RECRUITS  

COURSE PREREQUISITES:  NONE  

INSTRUCTOR CERT.:  GENERAL POLICE  

INSTRUCTOR RATIO:  1 / 60  

EVALUATION STRATEGY:  NEW MEXICO LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATION EXAM  

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COURSE OUTLINE:  