Course Name: Environmental Conservation–Outdoor Recreation Law I
Course Prefix and Number: CON 231 / CJC 231
Credit Hours and Contact Hours: 3 credit hours - 3 contact hours

Catalog Description:
This course focuses on current and historical hunting, fishing, land and forest laws of New York State as well as Federal laws that apply within enforcement are stressed. In addition, students are given opportunities to apply fish and wildlife laws in real-life situations. Lecture, class discussion, guest speakers, take home projects and an oral presentation from each student are the main methods of instruction. (Also listed as CJC 231)

I. Course Outcomes and Objectives

Learning Outcomes:
The objectives of this course are to help students gain an understanding of the history of fish, wildlife, land, and forest laws in the United States with emphasis on New York State laws. The students will learn the main current laws in these areas and the role Conservation Officers play in the enforcement of the laws. This will be accomplished through lecture, discussion, guest speakers, scenario interpretation and student presentations.

Relationship to Academic Programs and Curriculum:
This course is a requirement for students in the A.A.S. Natural Resources Conservation: Law Enforcement Program. It may also be taken as a conservation elective by A.A.S. Natural Resources Conservation and A.S. Environmental Studies students. The course could also be taken as a Criminal Justice elective for students in the A.A.S. Criminal Justice Degree Program or a general elective for students in other degree programs.

College Competencies Addressed by the Course:

- X writing
- X oral communications
- X reading
- X mathematics
- X problem solving
- X computer literacy
- X ethics / values
- X citizenship
- X global concerns
- X information resources
- X professional competency

II. Methods of Instruction
Types of course materials:

Students will purchase the Environmental Conservation Laws of New York State Looseleaf Law Publications book. The New York State Hunting and Trapping and Fishing Regulations books will be provided by the Conservation Department.

Methods of Instruction:

This course is lecture based; however, class discussions are an important part of the course. Guest speakers will provide lectures on selected fields in Conservation Law Enforcement. Take home scenario project will be assigned and discussed.

Assessment Measures:

The students understanding of course material will be assessed by their participation in class discussions, an oral presentation, scenario homework assignments and four examinations.

Methods of Evaluation:

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III. General Outline of Topics Covered

History of Environmental Laws
Application of Laws & Legal Terms
Review of the Legislative Process
Federal and International Fish & Wildlife Laws
Duties and Responsibilities of Environmental Law Enforcement Officers
NYS Environmental Conservation Laws
   Article 9 – Lands and Forests
   Article 11 – Fish & Wildlife Laws
   Article 13 – Marine & Coastal Resources
   Article 71 – Enforcement
Law Enforcement Techniques