Subject: Legal Aspect of Evidence  

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Catalog Course Description:  
This course is designed to provide Administration of Justice or other interested students with an in-depth study of evidence rules. An emphasis will be placed on the application of rules in preparing and presenting evidence. The course will discuss the history and approach to the study of evidence. Topics include proof by evidence and substitutes, general admissibility tests, evidence by way of witness testimony, documents, real evidence, and exclusion of evidence on constitutional grounds. For a better understanding of the evidence rules, judicial decisions are cited and students will be required to brief cases.

Student Learning Outcomes:  
Students will correctly identify five exceptions to the hearsay rule.

By logging into Blackboard you affirm that you are the student who enrolled in the course(s) and are the person who will complete the assigned work. Furthermore, you agree to follow the regulations regarding academic integrity, personal identification and the use of student information as described in BP 5500 (Standards of Conduct) and AP 5520 (Student Conduct Procedures) which are the Rio Hondo College student conduct codes that govern student rights and responsibilities. You acknowledge that failure to abide by the regulations set forth in BP 5500 and AP 5520 may result in disciplinary action, including expulsion from the college.

This is NOT a self-paced course. There are firm deadlines in this class. There are assignments due on a regular basis. Please plan your time carefully!

Textbook:  Please consult the Bookstore for information at (562) 463-7345 or go to Rio Hondo College Online Bookstore

This course will include regular instructor student contact. Methods of regular instructor student contact include:

Students will communicate with the faculty via the discussion board on a regular basis, the student will also submit 8 assignments via Blackboard using "SafeAssign" which will allow for critiquing of their submissions by the professor and also provide feedback.

Students are also encouraged to email the faculty with any concerns or question and the professor has posted office hours and times that students may contact the professor in private or via phone.

The instructor may drop you for non-participation.

There will be a one to three business day delay after an add code is used before a student may be able to log on to Blackboard.

For students new to online classes, it is highly recommended that you take the Online Orientation through our
Virtual College website. This will help explain what online classes are like and familiarize you with how the class is laid out. The orientations can be found at: http://www.riohondo.edu/vc-orientation/

Email Responses: Instructors will make every attempt to respond to students in a timely fashion. Responses can take up to 48 hours before a response is received, excluding weekends and holidays.

Disability: A Student with a verified disability may be entitled to appropriate academic accommodations. Please contact your instructor and/or the Disabled Students & Programs office at 562-908-3420 for more information.

*Modifications and Disclaimer:* The instructor reserves the right to modify the content of the course or any course procedure. It is the responsibility of the student to keep apprised of all changes. If the student wishes to drop the class he/she is responsible for initiating the drop. Do not take it for granted that you will be dropped. If you stop working and do not drop the course, you may get an undesirable grade.