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CATALOG DESCRIPTION: I.

Department Information:

Division: **Criminal Justice** Department: Police Science Course ID: POLICE 017

Course Title: Mounted Patrol Update

Units: .50

Lecture: 4 hours per semester Laboratory: 12 hours per semester

Prerequisite: POLICE 015

B. Catalog and Schedule Description:

This course is designed to update mounted personnel about patrol functions and new techniques to control their mounts in various situations. Horse and rider will be exposed to crowd control, congested areas and noise/structured distractions.

II. NUMBER OF TIMES COURSE MAY BE TAKEN FOR CREDIT: One

III. **EXPECTED OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS:**

Upon completion of the course the student will be able to:

- A. Evaluate the equine's capabilities and limitations under stressful conditions.
- B. Consider and demonstrate new crowd control and horse baton techniques.
- C. Ride and control their mount under crowd control situations.
- D. Distinguish safety guidelines for both officer and mount.
- E. Describe use of force options and how and where the use of the horse baton fits into

IV. **CONTENT:**

- A. Course safety guidelines: Discuss, question and answers.
- B. Horsemanship
 - 1. Walk
 - 2. Trot
 - 3. Canter
 - 4. Side pass5. Backing
- C. Equitation techniques
 - 1. Proper weight distribution
 - 2. Use of reins
 - 3. Use of spurs
 - 4. Voice commands
 - 5. Hand use
- D. Formations
 - 1. Forward movements
 - 2. Turns
 - 3. Crowd movements
 - 4. Crowd control
- E. Horse baton
 - 1. Authorized strikes
 - 2. Approved targets
- F. Sensory training
 - 1. Lights, sirens, loud noises, gun fire
 - 2. Water
 - 3. Wood walks
 - 4. Ties

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- 5. Chest push
- 6. Smoke
- 7. Flares

V. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

- A. Lecture
- B. Video
- C. Demonstrate
- D. Participation/role play

VI. TYPICAL ASSIGNMENTS:

- A. Students will demonstrate formation techniques presented by instructors. Instructor will demonstrate further horsemanship techniques such as hand and body positioning, forward movements, turns, crowd movements and crowd control. Students will demonstrate these abilities while mounted and being evaluated by instructors and students.
- B. Demonstrate ability to lead class in formations and crowd control techniques that are taught in class.

VII. EVALUATION(S):

- A. Methods of evaluation
 - 1. Presentation
 - 2. Demonstration of skills
 - 3. Examination and guizzes:
 - a) True/false
 - b) Multiple choice
 - c) Fill in the blank
 - 4. Typical exam questions:
 - a) How many zones are there for strikes with the mounted baton?
 - i) One
 - ii) Two
 - iii) Four
 - b) Spurs are to be used on the following area of the body:
 - i) Side
 - qiH (ii
 - iii) Shoulder
 - iv) Chest

VIII. TYPICAL TEXT(S):

Current Peace Officers Standards of Training approved reference material.

IX. OTHER SUPPLIES REQUIRED OF STUDENTS:

Student must provide their own horse, tack and transportation for horses.