

**JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**State University of New York**

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**MASTER COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** Latent Print Level I

**Course Abbreviation and Number:** CRI 1450

**Credit Hours:** 2

**Course Type:** Lecture/Lab

**Course Description:** This course is designed to introduce students to the field of latent print work. The course will cover areas such as print patterns, SAFIS, Henry Classification System, NCIC classification, fingerprint verifications, criminal procedure laws, major print cases, crime scene procedure, print dusting procedures, print lifting procedures, latent print powders and chemicals, photography techniques, photography of print techniques, mock crime scene work, and a mock trial.

Prerequisite: student must be a certified police officer of a recognized law enforcement agency or by permission of the academy director.

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**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Demonstrate proficiency in fingerprint pattern interpretation; classification, and verification techniques
  2. Demonstrate the skills needed to dust and lift latent prints through the use of chemicals and powders.
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**Topics Covered:**

- Overview of the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS)
  - History of Fingerprints & Fingerprint Pattern Recognition
  - Fingerprint Classification Systems
  - Fingerprint Verification
  - Latent Print Clues
  - Criminal Procedure Law and Ethics
  - Techniques of Fingerprinting - Taking Major Case Prints
  - Procedures at a Crime Scene - Developing Latent Prints
  - Powders and Crime Scene Photography Latent Prints
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**Information for Students**

- Expectations of Students
    - Civility Statement (<http://www.sunyccc.edu/current-students/classroom-civility>)
    - Student Responsibility Statement (<http://www.sunyccc.edu/academics/student-responsibility>)
    - Academic Integrity (<http://www.sunyccc.edu/faculty-staff/academic-integrity>)
  - Disability/Special Services
    - Any student who requires accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability should make their needs known to the Coordinator of Accessibility Services, 716.338.1251.
  - Emergency Closing Procedures (<http://www.sunyccc.edu/student-life/campus-safety/jcc-alert>)
  - Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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  - Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.
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**Effective Date:** Fall 2019