

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

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**MASTER COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** The Constitution and Homeland Security

**Course Abbreviation and Number:** CRI 2680

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Course Type:** Lecture

**Course Description:** Students will develop a solid understanding of how the United States Constitution and its ongoing interpretation has shaped the homeland security landscape. Students will apply ethical theories and knowledge of the Constitution to analyze significant national security problems and their changing nature in the 21st century, discussing relevant court cases as appropriate. Students will study the role of intelligence professionals and federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities in upholding constitutional law while preventing and disrupting terrorism. Prerequisite: ENG 1510, CRI 1510.

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**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Identify key court cases and legislation related to homeland security.
  2. Describe important legal and ethical concerns surrounding the balance between maintaining security and upholding civil and constitutional rights.
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**Topics Covered:**

- The U.S. Constitution in context
  - Court cases and their implication for privacy and security
  - The USA PATRIOT Act and other post- 9/11 legislation
  - Profiling
  - Surveillance
  - Detentions and Interrogations
  - Search and Seizure
  - Boarder and transportation security
  - Ethical concerns in homeland security
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**Information for Students**

- Expectations of Students
  - Civility Statement (<http://www.sunyjcc.edu/current-students/classroom-civility>)
  - Student Responsibility Statement (<http://www.sunyjcc.edu/academics/student-responsibility>)
  - Academic Integrity (<http://www.sunyjcc.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.sunyjcc.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