El Paso Community College Syllabus Part II Official Course Description

SUBJECT AREA	Hospitality Operations
COURSE RUBRIC AND NUMBER	HAMG 2302
COURSE TITLE	Hospitality Security and Loss Prevention
COURSE CREDIT HOURS	3 3 : 0
	Credits Lec Lab

I. Catalog Description

Overview of the issues surrounding the need for security and loss prevention in the hospitality industry. (3:0).

II. Course Objectives

A. Unit I. Security and the Lodging Industry

- 1. Explain the growing concern of security in the hospitality industry.
- 2. Discuss the need for effective management.
- 3. Identify areas of vulnerability.
- 4. Explain security requirements as they relate to the hospitality industry.
- 5. Describe the elements of security training.
- 6. Explain the key issues in developing a security program.
- 7. Identify key points in setting up a security program.
- 8. Describe the legal concepts and societal concerns related to security issues.
- 9. Examine case studies addressing security issues in the hospitality industry.
- B. Unit II. Security Equipment
 - 1. Identify critical elements of physical security.
 - 2. Describe the various perimeter control equipment.
 - 3. Explain the importance of communication systems for security.
 - 4. Discuss the key considerations when evaluating systems.
 - 5. Explain the features and benefits of alarm systems.
 - 6. Describe various types of safety equipment.
 - 7. Explain how safety equipment is used to protect lodging properties, staff, and guests.
 - 8. Identify potential elements of guestroom security.

C. Unit III. Security Procedures Covering Guest Concerns

- 1. Identify various types of key control.
- 2. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages for key control.
- 3. Explain how effective access control is achieved through surveillance and security patrol.
- 4. Explain how to deal with the presence of unauthorized persons on a property.
- 5. Discuss how to deal with the presence of undesirable persons on a property.
- 6. Identify the steps involved with safe deposit box security.
- 7. Discuss the hotel's liability for safe deposit boxes and in-room safes.
- 8. Explain lost and found procedures for the hospitality industry.

- D. Unit IV. Departmental Responsibilities in Guest and Asset Protection
 - 1. Identify the variety of security concerns that affect each hotel department.
 - 2. Describe the security and safety issues for facilities with swimming pools.
 - 3. Explain the security and safety issues for facilities with health/fitness services.
 - 4. Discuss the security and safety issues for facilities with gaming areas.
 - 5. Identify the general types of security reports.
 - 6. Discuss the uses of security reports and records.
 - 7. Identify the special needs groups.
 - 8. Describe the security concerns involved in serving guests with special needs.
 - 9. Explain the safety and security considerations for handling conventions, meetings, and exhibits.
- E. Unit V. Protection of Funds
 - 1. Describe control procedures and physical protection for inventory control.
 - 2. Explain the control procedures for payroll and bank deposits.
 - 3. Discuss the control procedures for sequential numbering system.
 - 4. List the appropriate procedures for denying credit to guests.
 - 5. Describe security concerns when handling reservations.
 - 6. Explain security issues at guest registration.
 - 7. Discuss security issues at guest check-out.
 - 8. Explain the key issues affecting computer security in a hospitality environment.
 - 9. Describe the benefits and objectives of establishing an internal audit program.

F. Unit VI. Emergency Management and Media Relations

- 1. Describe the role of an emergency management plan.
- 2. Discuss the safety and security measures for responding to bombs and bomb threats.
- 3. Explain the safety and security measures for responding to fires.
- 4. Describe the safety and security measures for responding to weather related issues.
- 5. Discuss the procedures for handling blackouts and medical and dental emergencies.
- 6. Explain the procedures for handling robberies, terrorist acts, and civil disturbances.
- 7. Describe a viable media relations response in the event of an emergency situation.
- 8. Discuss a viable media relations response when dealing with group disturbances.
- G. Unit VII. Risk Management and Insurance
 - 1. Define risk management.
 - 2. List the steps in a risk management process.
 - 3. Identify the contributions of risk management to a business in terms of pre- and post-loss contributions and direct and indirect contributions.
 - 4. Explain risk management's contributions to a business in terms of insurance, insurance purchase, and industry regulations.
 - 5. Describe the types of coverage found in commercial packages policies.
 - 6. Discuss the types of coverage available to lodging properties.
 - 7. Describe the proper procedures used for managing claims.
 - 8. Explain the roles and duties of a safety committee.

III. THECB Learning Outcomes (WECM)

- 1. Discuss legal issues regarding provisions for a safe and secure environment for customers and employees.
- 2. Develop security and contingency plans.
- 3. Identify security staffing and equipment needs.
- 4. Explain the necessity of accurate documentation, record keeping, and asset protection.
- 5. Create a risk management program.

IV. Evaluation

A. Unit Assignments

- 1. Unit assignments are designed to give the student the practice needed to become competent with front desk duties.
- 2. Activities will be graded on the basis of being correct and complete.
- 3. Assignments are due at the beginning of class unless otherwise instructed.
- 4. It is the responsibility of the students to complete assignments as outlined in the syllabus.
- 5. Activities will require time outside of the classroom.
- B. Unit Written Exams, Major Project, Assignments, and Attendance
 - 1. There will be written exams.
 - 2. Completion of major project, assignments, and satisfactory attendance will be part of the evaluation of the competence of a student.

C. Final Evaluation

- 1. The course grade will be based on a point scale for each item used in the evaluation.
- 2. The final grade will be determined by the percent of the total points accumulated during the course.
- D. Grading Scale:

900-1000 points (90 - 100%)	=	А	Incomplete	=	Ι
800-899 points (80 - 89%)	=	В	Withdrawal	=	W
700-799 points (70 - 79%)	=	С			
600-699 points (60 - 69%)	=	D			
000-599 points (00 - 59%)	=	F			

E. Remediation

Students seeking additional help may obtain tutoring assistance from the instructor as time permits.

V. Disability Statement (Americans with Disabilities Act [ADA])

EPCC offers a variety of services to persons with documented sensory, mental, physical, or temporary disabling conditions to promote success in classes. If you have a disability and believe you may need services, you are encouraged to contact the Center for Students with Disabilities to discuss your needs with a counselor. All discussions and documentation are kept confidential. Offices located: VV Rm C-112 (831-2426); TM Rm 1400 (831-5808); RG Rm B-201 (831-4198); NWC Rm M-54 (831-8815); and MDP Rm A-125 (831-7024).

VI. 6 Drop Rule

Students who began attending Texas public institutions of higher education for the first time during the Fall 2007 semester or later are subject to a 6-Drop limit for all undergraduate classes. Developmental, ESL, Dual Credit and Early College High School classes are exempt from this rule. All students should consult with their instructor before dropping a class. Academic assistance is available. Students are encouraged to see Counseling Services if dropping because exemptions may apply. Refer to the EPCC catalog and website for additional information.