

SLPS 1391
Special Topics in Security/Loss Prevention
Western Texas College

- I. Basic Course Information
 - A. Course Description: Topics address recently identified current events, skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes and behaviors pertinent to the technology or occupation and relevant to the professional development of the student. This course was designed to be repeated multiple times to improve student proficiency.
 - B. Prerequisites: None

- II. Student Learning Outcomes
 - A. Assess retail risks, differentiate what preventive and responsive options might be available, and determine the most appropriate actions.
 - B. Apply best practices for reducing risk involving company assets, and personnel.
 - C. Identify and evaluate recent loss prevention issues in the industry.

- III. Major Course Requirements
 - A. Written Assignment: 20%
 - B. Discussions: 20%
 - C. Participation 20%
 - D. LPQ Final Exam 40%
 - E. Grading scale:
 - A= (90-100%)
 - B= (80-89%)
 - C= (70-79%)
 - D= (60-69%)

- IV. Information on Books and other Course Materials
 - A. You are required to purchase the Loss Prevention Foundation's LPQ course materials, used by industry professionals across the country. As a partner institution, the LPF is providing WTC students with the materials at a fraction of the regular cost. To get your discounted materials, you must purchase a student access code through the WTC Bookstore no later than the first day of class (or by your second day enrolled in the course, whichever is later).
 - B. You are required to subscribe to Loss Prevention Magazine online, which is free to WTC students at

<https://losspreventionmedia.com/subscribe/>

- V. Other Policies, Procedures and Important Dates: Please refer to the WTC Course Catalog for the following:
- A. Campus Calendar
 - B. Final exam schedule
 - C. How to drop a class
 - D. Withdrawal information
 - E. Student Conduct/Academic Integrity
 - F. Class Attendance
 - G. Students with disabilities

VI. Course Organization and Schedule

Week	Topic
Week 1	<p>Course Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase access to the LPQ access code through the WTC Bookstore • Subscribe to <i>Loss Prevention Magazine</i> (free) online at https://losspreventionmedia.com/subscribe/
Week 2-3	<p>Retail Business and Risks</p> <p>Forum 1 due at the end of Week 2</p> <p>LPQ Sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPQ “Course 1” Section 101 Foundations of LP • LPQ 102 Basic Retail Business • LPQ 103 The Causes Behind Loss • LPQ 301 Vocabulary & Terminology
Week 4-5	<p>Internal Controls</p> <p>Forum 2 due at the end of Week 4</p> <p>LPQ Sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPQ 104 Shrink Awareness • LPQ 303 Internal Theft • LPQ 304 Interviewing as a Tool • LPQ 310 Employment Screening
Week 6-7	<p>Safety and Controls</p> <p>Forum 3 due at the end of Week 6</p>

	<p>LPQ Sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPQ 201 A Professional Approach • LPQ 202 Ethics & Conduct • LPQ 203 What You Should Expect • LPQ 308 Crisis Mgmt. & Emergency Response
Week 8-9	<p>Professionalism</p> <p>Written Assignment due at the end of Week 9</p> <p>LPQ Sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPQ 302 External Theft • LPQ 105 Establishing a controlled environment • LPQ 106 Workplace safety
Week 10-11	<p>AP Career Basics</p> <p>Forum 4 due at the end of Week 10</p> <p>LPQ Sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPQ 204 Career Growth • LPQ 205 Communications Skills • LPQ 305 Civil Recovery & Restitution • LPQ 306 Courtroom Procedures
Week 12-13	<p>Interacting with People</p> <p>Forum 5 due at the end of Week 12</p> <p>LPQ Sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPQ 206 Building Relationships • LPQ 207 Diversity • LPQ 208 Harassment Awareness • LPQ 209 Conflict Resolution • LPQ 307 Physical Security • LPQ 309 Auditing
Week 14-15	Review and Preparations for LPQ Final Exam
Week 16	LPQ Final Exam

*Disclaimer: Schedule, content and grading percentages are subject to change at the instructor's discretion.