

**OLLI – Policing in America
Winter 2022**

Week 1 – 1/13/22

History of law enforcement

How did police develop in this country? Why do we have police?

Week 2 – 1/20/22

Implicit Bias and Sources of Power

Recap of history of policing. Prejudice and stereotype, discrimination defined
Color blind racism, Invisible Male, Critical Race Theory,
Laws the give police their power

Week 3 – 1/27/22

Police and media. What is their relationship? What is their shared agenda and why do they need each other? Role of social media. What happens when media criticize the police?

Week 4 – 2/3/22

The system – force continuum, de-escalation, police use of military weapons

Week 5 – 2/10/22

Important cases from Watts Riots to Rodney King to George Floyd and more.

Week 6 – 2/17/22

Police going forward, efforts to de-fund police – what does the even mean? The good things that cops do.