

A.A.S. - Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice Program is designed for students with an interest in the criminal justice field and law enforcement professions. It prepares students for a career as a law enforcement officer, corrections officer, investigator, court administrator, private security officer, or customs agent. Program graduates are employed with local, state, and federal agencies or with private agencies. Students employed in related fields may use the program as a building block for career advancement or further education. Students gain knowledge of local, state, and federal statutes, civil liberties, policing, the justice system, ethics, constitutionalism, and public safety issues.

	credit hours
Area I: Written Composition	6
ENG 101 English Composition I	3
ENG 102 English Composition II	3
Area II: Humanities and Fine Arts	6
SPH 107 Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
or SPH 106 Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
*Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
Area III: Natural Science and Mathematics	10
MTH 100 Intermediate College Algebra (or higher level MTH)	3
CIS 146 Microcomputer Applications	3
PHS 111 Physical Science I	4
or BIO 103 Principles of Biology I	4
Area IV: History, Social, and Behavioral Sciences	6
PSY 200 General Psychology	3
POL 220 State and Local Government	3
or POL 211 American National Government	3
or HIS 121/122/201/202	3
Area V: Preprofessional, major, and elective courses	41
<i>Required Criminal Justice courses</i>	<i>14</i>
CRJ 100 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 110 Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
CRJ 178 Narcotics/Dangerous Drugs	3
CRJ 216 Police Organization and Administration	3
EMS 100 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation I	1
EMS 104 First Aid for Students of Health Related Professions	1
<i>Electives (CRJ and/or HLS100)</i>	<i>24</i>
Additional degree requirements	3
**ORI 101 Orientation to College	1
WKO 101 Workplace Skill Development I	2
Total	69

* Students must choose from among the courses listed on page 78.

** Students may use ORI 105, Orientation and Student Success, to satisfy this requirement. Enrollment in this three credit-hour class will add two semester hours to the student’s program total.