

Criminal Justice Forensic Concentration, A.A.S.

The Criminal Justice program is designed to train law enforcement personnel to maintain law and order, collect evidence and information, and conduct investigations and surveillance. The program will provide law enforcement officers the necessary skills to conduct routine investigations.

Forensic Science and Criminalistics are emphasized, and particular emphasis is placed on laboratory practices used to develop investigative evidence, including finger print and DNA analysis. Graduates can go on to careers in such jobs as Forensic Technician, Police Officer, or State Trooper. Some jobs require a four-year degree, but a two-year associate degree is all that is required at many police departments.

To receive an associate in applied science degree, students must complete General Education core requirements, orientation requirements, and the appropriate career and technical courses. Students transferring into a Criminal Justice baccalaureate program should follow the associate in science in Criminal Justice degree plan in the University-Parallel Programs section this catalog.

Admission is conditional and depends on the student's ability to perform the essential functions identified for the program. Reasonable accommodations are considered.

Program: [Criminal Justice](#)

Type: Associate in Applied Science

Area I: Written Composition

Item #	Title	Credits
ENG 101	English Composition I	3

Area II: Humanities and Fine Arts

Item #	Title	Credits
SPH 107	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3

Area III: Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Item #	Title	Credits
	MTH 116 or higher	3
	Natural Sciences Elective	4

Area IV: History, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 200	General Psychology	3

Area V: Career and Technical Courses

Item #	Title	Credits
	ORI 101 or 105 or ORT100	1-3
ORI 104	Workkeys® Assessment and Advisement	1
CIS 146	Microcomputer Applications	3
CRJ 100	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 140	Criminal Law and Procedure	3
CRJ 146	Criminal Evidence	3
CRJ 147	Constitutional Law	3
CRJ 178	Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs	3
CRJ 208	Introduction to Criminology	3
CRJ 220	Criminal Investigation	3
CRJ 226	Fingerprint Science	3
CRJ 227	Homicide Investigation	3
CRJ 230	Criminalistics	3
CRJ 236	Advanced Criminalistics	3
CRJ 237	Forensic Photography	3
CRJ 238	Crime Scene Investigation	3
	CRJ 280 OR CRJ 290	3
	Total credits:	66-68

Course Sequencing

Criminal Justice - Forensic Concentration Associate in Applied Science Degree Suggested Course Sequence First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
CRJ 100	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 140	Criminal Law and Procedure	3
CRJ 146	Criminal Evidence	3
CRJ 147	Constitutional Law	3
	ORI 101 or 105 or ORT100	1-3

Criminal Justice - Forensic Concentration Associate in Applied Science Degree Suggested Course Sequence Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
CRJ 178	Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs	3
CRJ 208	Introduction to Criminology	3
PSY 200	General Psychology	3
ENG 101	English Composition I	3

Criminal Justice - Forensic Concentration Associate in Applied Science Degree Suggested Course Sequence Third Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
CRJ 220	Criminal Investigation	3
CRJ 227	Homicide Investigation	3
CRJ 230	Criminalistics	3
CRJ 238	Crime Scene Investigation	3
SPH 107	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3

Criminal Justice - Forensic Concentration Associate in Applied Science Degree Suggested Course Sequence Fourth Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
CRJ 226	Fingerprint Science	3
CRJ 236	Advanced Criminalistics	3
CRJ 237	Forensic Photography	3
	CRJ 280 OR CRJ 290	3

After successful completion of CRJ 290 students will be:

- Eligible for FAA 107 Remote Pilot Licensure Examination

Criminal Justice - Forensic Concentration Associate in Applied Science Degree Suggested Course Sequence Fifth Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
CIS 146	Microcomputer Applications	3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
MTH 116	Mathematical Applications	3
	Natural Sciences Elective	4
ORI 104	Workkeys® Assessment and Advisement	1