Criminal Justice

Program Code: S.CJS.AAS

Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.)
Graduation requirement — 60 semester hours

The Criminal Justice Program prepares students for employment in industry or government positions such as municipal, county, and state police agencies or the private security field.

Note: In order to complete the program, students must be able to pass a criminal background check required by agencies providing internships (if the student pursues the internship option).

Program Notes*
- SCI 108 and SCI 208 are the recommended courses for this degree. SCI 108 is not a prerequisite for SCI 208. These courses may be taken in any order. Both courses must be taken to fulfill the physical/life science requirement. One approved IAI transfer level physical science course and one approved IAI transfer life science course may be substituted for the SCI 108, SCI 208 sequence if necessary.
- General electives can be any college-level course.
- CJS 101 is a prerequisite for all CJS courses except CJS 104 and CJS 127.
- Students must carry health insurance and pass a criminal background check prior to being allowed to participate in CJS 218 (internship).

Suggested Full-time Sequence

FALL 1st Semester
CJS 101
CJS 104
CJS 127
ENG 101
Soc/Beh Sci elec

SPRING 2nd Semester
CJS 102
CJS 207
CJS 209
ENG 102 or COM 120
Soc/Beh Sci elec

FALL 3rd Semester
CJS 203
CJS 221
SCI 108
Soc/Beh Sci elec
Gen elec

SPRING 4th Semester
CJS 204
CJS 225
SCI 208
CJS 218 or CJS 292

Required Program Courses (35 hours) Cr. Hrs.
CJS 101* Introduction to Criminal Justice ..........3
CJS 102 Police Administration and Operations ......4
CJS 104* Introduction to Corrections .................3
CJS 127* Juvenile Delinquency .......................3
CJS 203 Criminal Law and Procedures I ...............3
CJS 204 Criminal Law and Procedures II ............3
CJS 207 Traffic Law Enforcement and Administration . .......3
CJS 209 Criminal Investigation ......................4
CJS 221 Community Policing and Problem Solving ...3
CJS 225 Issues in Criminal Justice ..................3
Take one of the following:
CJS 218* Internship and Seminar ..................3
CJS 292 International Field Experience ............3

Electives (2–4 hours)
Select option to meet minimum 60-hour degree requirement.
Recommended coursework:
ANT 105* Introduction to Physical Anthropology ....3
COM 120 Interpersonal Communication ............3
KIN 183 First Aid and CPR .........................2
SOC 202 Sociology of Deviant Behavior ...........3
SOC 204 Criminology ..................................3
POS 122 American National Government ...........3
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology ...............4

Required General Education Courses (23 hours)
ENG 101 Composition I ..............................3
ENG 102 Composition II .............................3
or COM 120 Interpersonal Communication ..........3
SCI 108* Essentials of Forensic Science ............4
SCI 208* Forensic Science II: Death Analysis ......4
Social/Behavioral Science electives ..................9
Choose from two or more subject areas.

Total Semester Credit Hours 60