

Program Information

Length of Program: 90 Credits
Completion Award: A.A.A.S. Degree
Enrollment: Fall (recommended), Winter, Spring
Website: www.shoreline.edu/criminaljustice/

Program Advisors:

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NOTE: Credit may be awarded by the CJ advisory for police academy or in-service police training.

Program Description

The Criminal Justice Associate in Applied Arts and Sciences degree is designed to prepare students for careers in law enforcement, corrections, private security as well as some legal/paralegal positions. Shoreline Community College works closely with local advisory committees and industry professionals to ensure students receive the knowledge and skills currently in demand by employers in the field. Students interested in pursuing a four-year baccalaureate degree in Criminal Justice should follow the Criminal Justice AA-DTA transfer degree planning guide.

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Criminal Justice—What is it?

The Criminal Justice Program offers students an overview of the historical, governmental and administrative structures that have shaped and continue to influence the field of criminal justice. The program explores relevant ethical and social issues and promotes self-awareness. Students develop skills in human relations, leadership, analytical reasoning and communication and learn methods for effective police patrol and strategies for preventing and investigating criminal activities.

Program Outcomes:

Students who successfully complete this program **-by achieving a GPA of 2.0 or better for the entire program-** should be able to:

1. Evaluate federal and state constitutions and their respective criminal codes.
2. Apply basic theories of police operations and management.
3. Communicate effectively within the criminal justice system.
4. Effectively communicate with the public and respond to various problems many of which may not be criminal in nature.
5. Fairly enforce the laws which regulate public conduct.
6. Properly identify, collect and preserve evidence.
7. Conduct preliminary traffic and criminal investigations, report findings and testify effectively in court.
8. Promote security through appropriate application of standard patrol practices and police interventions.
9. Understand and apply concepts of community-oriented policing.

Career Opportunities—What can I do with a Degree in Criminal Justice?

The employment outlook is very good with job growth expected to continue over the next decade. Successful employment in many positions – particularly law enforcement positions - is dependent upon passing competitive entrance examinations, meeting various medical requirements, and passing background investigations. Good performance and additional training can enhance opportunities for advancement

Potential employers include: Graduates can be employed by municipal, county, state or federal law enforcement, juvenile and adult correction facilities, private and corporate security/investigation firms For more, please visit www.shoreline.edu/acc/CareerCounseling.aspx.

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PROGRAM PREREQUISITES: High School Diploma or GED and college placement

A.A.A.S DEGREE—90 Credits

GENERAL EDUCATION 15 Credits			
Course	QTR	GR	CR
ENGL& 101 English Composition I <i>or</i> BTWRT 215 Prof Communications			5
Choose from any college level Math 100 level or above from approved Quantitative Symbolic Reasoning List Or PHIL& 120 Symbolic Logic Or BUS 102 Business Math			5
Choose one course from the approved Multicultural Understanding List			5

CORE REQUIRMENTS 20 Credits			
Course	QTR	GR	CR
CMST&101 Intro to Communications			5
PSYC& 100 General Psychology			5
SOC& 101 Intro to Sociology			5
POLS 101 Intro to Political Science <i>or</i> POLS& 202 American Government			5

CRIMINAL JUSTICE CORE REQUIREMENTS 40 Credits			
Course	QTR	GR	CR
First Quarter			
CJ& 101 Intro to Criminal Justice			5
PHIL 248 Ethical Issues in CJ			5
Second Quarter			
CJ& 110 Criminal Law			5
Third Quarter			
CJ 120 Administration of Justice			5
Fourth Quarter			
CJ 238 Crim Evidence/Const Law			5
Fifth Quarter*			
CJ 241 Principle of Investigation I <i>*Internship is recommended for either 5th or 6th quarter. It is only offered winter and spring quarters</i>			5
Sixth Quarter*			
CJ 249 Police Operations			5
CJ 290* Internship <i>*Internship is recommended for either 5th or 6th quarter. It is only offered winter and spring quarters</i>			5

Note: Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information in this publication. However, the information is subject to change without notice and final career decisions are the responsibility of the student.

Criminal Justice Professional Electives 15 Credits			
Course	QTR	GR	CR
CAST 102 Child Maltreatmt & Advocacy <i>or</i> SOC 102 Child Maltreatmt & Advocacy			5
CAST 202 Prof and System Responses <i>or</i> SOC 202 Prof and System Responses			5
CJ 130 Information Gathering			5
CJ 135 Crime Prevention through Community Partnerships			5
CJ 137 Essentials of Interviewing			3
CJ& 106 Juvenile Justice			5
CJ 242 Princ of Investigation II			5
CJ 245 Defensive Tactics			5
CJ& 112 Criminology <i>or</i> SOC 112 Criminology			5
CJ 291-295 Special Topics in CJ			1-5
CJ 297 Individual Project-CJ			1
CJ 298 Individual Project-CJ			2
CJ 299 Individual Project-CJ			3
CAST 285 Gender, Viol & Soc Change <i>or</i> GWS 285 Gender, Viol & Soc Change			5

RECOMMENDATIONS:

<u>APPROVAL TO GRADUATE</u>	
Student Name & SID	Date
Faculty Advisory	Date
Division Dean	Date
Credential Approval	Date