

PROGRAMS

CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY - FORENSIC SCIENCE

Forensic Science is a concentration under the curriculum of Criminal Justice Technology, which focuses on the application of the physical, biomedical, and social sciences to the analysis and evaluation of physical evidence, human testimony and criminal suspects. Study will focus on local, state, and federal law enforcement, evidence processing and procedures.

Students will learn both theory and hands-on analysis of latent evidence. They will learn fingerprint classification, identification, and chemical development. Students will record, cast, and recognize footwear and tire-tracks; and process crime scenes.

Issues and concepts of communications and the use of computers and computer assisted design programs in crime scene technology will be discussed.

Graduates should qualify for employment in a variety of criminal justice organizations especially in local, state, and federal law enforcement, and correctional agencies.

Student successfully completing a Basic Law Enforcement Training course, accredited by the North Carolina Justice Education and Training Standards Commission and the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission will receive credit for CJC-113 Juvenile Justice, CJC-120 Interviews and Interrogations, CJC-131 Criminal Law, CJC-132 Court Procedure and Evidence, CJC-221 Investigative Principles, and CJC-231 Constitutional Law toward the Associate in Applied Science degree in Criminal Justice Technology. Students must have successfully passed the Commissions' comprehensive certification examination and completed Basic Law Enforcement Training since 1985.

Students successfully completing the North Carolina Department of Public Safety Basic Correctional Officer Training course, accredited by the North Carolina Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, will receive credit for CJC-132 Court Procedure and Evidence.

Associate in Applied Science Degree Program

		Course Hours Per Week		Semester Hours
First Semester (Fall)		Class	Lab	Credit
ACA-115	Success & Study Skills	0	2	1
CJC-111	Intro to Criminal Justice	3	0	3
CJC-144	Crime Scene Processing	2	3	3
CJC-146	Trace Evidence	2	3	3
CJC-221	Investigative Principles	3	2	4
ENG-111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	3
Credit Hours		13	10	17
Second Semester (Spring)				
CIS***	CIS-110 or CIS-111	1-2	2	2-3
CJC-115	Crime Scene Photography	2	3	3

		Course Hours Per Week		Semester Hours
CJC-131	Criminal Law	3	0	3
CJC-244	Footwear and Tire Imprint	2	3	3
ENG-112 or ENG-114	Writing/Research in the Disc or Prof Research & Reporting	3	0	3
PSY-150	General Psychology	3	0	3
Credit Hours		14-15	8	17-18
Third Semester (Summer)				
CJC-212	Ethics & Comm Relations	3	0	3
CJC-245	Friction Ridge Analysis	2	3	3
Credit Hours		5	3	6
Fourth Semester (Fall)				
BIO-110	Principles of Biology	3	3	4
CJC-112	Criminology	3	0	3
CJC-113	Juvenile Justice	3	0	3
CJC-231	Constitutional Law	3	0	3
MAT***	MAT-143 or higher	2-3	2	3-4
Credit Hours		14-15	5	16-17
Fifth Semester (Spring)				
CHM-151	General Chemistry I	3	3	4
CJC-120	Interviews/Interrogations	1	2	2
CJC-132	Court Procedure & Evidence	3	0	3
CJC-222	Criminalistics	3	0	3
CJC-246	Adv. Friction Ridge Analy	2	3	3
***	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	3
Credit Hours		15	8	18
Total Required Minimum Semester Hours Credit				74

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