



PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN **Law Enforcement**

Certificate Description

This certificate provides high school graduates, professionals with limited experience or out-of-field students and professionals the opportunity to understand law enforcement

Foundations of Criminal Justice Systems—CRJS 101 (required)—This course provides an overview of the criminal justice system. Emphasis will be on crime in America, the criminal justice process, law enforcement, adjudication, punishment, corrections, and prisons. Students will also learn about crime, law and justice, as well as special issues in the criminal justice system.

Outcomes:

- Identify and define the various components of the criminal justice system
- Explain the process associated with moving an accused through the criminal justice system
- Explain and analyze the relationships between law enforcement, the judicial system and corrections
- Analyze and determine crime rate, crime index, and recidivism rates
- Identify career options in the criminal justice field

Introduction to Law Enforcement—CRJS 210 (required)—This course surveys the police service delivery system at the Federal, state, and local levels. Consideration will be given to historical development, the police role in contemporary society, and primary objectives of police agencies.

Outcomes:

- Describe the history of policing in American society
- Identify the various segments of police services
- Describe the organization structure and management style of police agencies
- Analyze issues of discretion, ethics, decision-making and morality

Crime Victim Studies—CRJS 310 (required)—This course presents the scientific study of crime victims and public policy responses to victims and their situations. It also looks at the different types of victimizations, how victimization rates are measured, and what attempts the government has made to increase the involvement of victim's role in the criminal justice system.

Outcomes:

- Explain the history of victimology
- Describe the impact of public policy and the crime victims' movement on victim rights
- Analyze the methodology used to determine crime and victimization rates
- Analyze specific victim populations
- Discuss current issues in victimology



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Constitutional Issues in Criminal Procedures—CRJS 330 (required)—This course examines procedural law and its role in criminal prosecution. It compares criminal procedure and evidence law in the federal and state courts systems, and analyzes the social, political and historical significance of the evolution of Constitutional law. Additionally, this course addresses the way in which laws and legal institutions function.

Outcomes:

- Conduct legal analysis of the United States Constitution for a practical understanding of criminal procedure
- Describe the role of the judiciary and the rule of law in society
- Explain the historical evolution of procedural doctrines, standards and tests
- Analyze Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Amendment safeguards
- Explain the principles found in the Fourteenth Amendment such as due process, fundamental fairness and equal protection
- Conduct legal analysis through briefing and appellate case decisions

Security and Loss Prevention—CRJS 270—This course examines the theories and principles of security and loss prevention through a systematic review of key issues and concepts associated with the reduction and prevention of personal and corporate loss. This course will review the historical development of loss prevention, exposures to losses, risk assessment techniques, and strategies to minimize loss and improve security.

Outcomes:

- Explain the historical development of security and loss prevention
- Describe key principles of security and loss prevention
- Analyze key strategies for reducing loss and increasing security
- Develop a comprehensive individual and corporate loss prevention plan

Administration of Criminal Justice—CRJS 345—This course focuses on the challenges administrators face in law enforcement, courts, and corrections. Students will examine the various organizational frameworks in the criminal justice system and the concepts, organizational principles, and models associated with these criminal justice agencies.

Outcomes:

- Describe and analyze the organizational and administrative structure of criminal justice administration
- Locate and classify theories of management and leadership principles in policing, courts and corrections
- Describe and analyze the roles of police, courts and correctional administrators in the operation of their organizations
- Explain the roles of police, courts and correctional administrators in the handling of criminal justice personnel and their functions



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Evidence—CRJS 355—This course examines the various types of evidence admissible by law, including real, demonstrative and documentary evidence. This course addresses the roles lay witnesses and expert evidence play in the legal setting as well as during a criminal trial.

Outcomes:

- Explain and identify the difference between real, demonstrative, and circumstantial evidence
- Explain the concepts of impeachment, hearsay, privileges, and burdens of proof
- Analyze the Federal Rules of Evidence
- Analyze the Exclusionary Rule and its application to illegally seized evidence

Criminal Investigations—CRJS 455—This course explores the elements of investigation including crime scenes, witnesses and evidence, and includes such topics as investigative techniques, evidence documentation, interrogation and arrest. The course addresses the particulars of investigating major crimes.

Outcomes:

- Identify and evaluate procedures involved in reviewing and processing a crime scene
- Describe proper procedures for handling witnesses and witness-related evidence
- Apply basic and major investigative techniques
- Identify and analyze the difference between interviewing and interrogation
- Define and apply procedures for arrests, case preparations, and closing investigations