

# Criminal Justice

The criminal justice program provides students with an understanding of the adult and juvenile criminal justice processes, its agencies, personnel and historical foundations. The program emphasizes the key components of the criminal justice system, police, corrections, juvenile justice and judicial systems. Realistic, practical exercises, mock scenes and modern technical and scientific applications will be used to teach modern-day American police practices.

## Criminal Justice Degrees and Certificates

- Criminal Justice
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## Criminal Justice Classes

### CJ& 101: Introduction to Criminal Justice

Overview of the scope of a law enforcement officer, corrections officer, and probation officer's role. Jurisdiction of local, state and federal agencies, career opportunities and qualifications for recruitment are emphasized. Includes administration of justice concepts and history of the criminal justice system.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

General Elective

### CJ& 105: Introduction to Corrections

An introduction and survey of the principles and practices of the corrections field in criminal justice settings. The objectives of probation and parole with an overview of rehabilitation methods and institutional settings are emphasized.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

General Elective

### CJ& 106: Introduction to Juvenile Justice

Course covers the elements, functions and purpose of juvenile law. Arrest, detention, petition, records, interviewing, interrogation, overview of contributing factors to delinquency and the officer's role in prevention are emphasized.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

General Elective

### CJ& 110: Criminal Law

Basic concepts of Titles 9 and 9A of the Revised Code of Washington are presented in this course. Elements, purposes and functions of criminal law are emphasized.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5  
**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
General Elective

## **CJ& 240: Introduction to Forensics**

All aspects of crime scene investigations. Areas of emphasis include fundamentals and techniques of investigations; crime scene search; field applications in the development, collection and preservation of physical evidence. Classification and rules of evidence, admissibility, weight and value of evidence, witnesses, and presentation of evidence in court also are included.

**Credits** 5  
**Weekly Contact Hours** 5  
**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
General Elective

## **CJ 140: Criminal Justice Report Writing**

Presents technical writing content specific to the criminal justice system including standard grammar/punctuation and basic composition skills. Content includes forms such as traffic citations, traffic accidents or evidence tags, and a variety of technical reports for which information may be obtained from investigations, interrogations or other written reports.

**Credits** 5  
**Weekly Contact Hours** 5  
**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## **CJ 150: Laws of Arrest, Search and Seizure**

Concepts of how to conduct a lawful arrest; search and seizure of suspects and evidence; and practicalities of conducting a search of persons, cars and houses are emphasized in this course.

**Credits** 5  
**Weekly Contact Hours** 5  
**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## **CJ 196: Cooperative Work Experience**

Intended to provide authentic experiences in the world of work by applying knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to a working environment. Variable credit class.

**Credits** 1-5  
**Weekly Contact Hours** 25  
**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## CJ 201: Criminal Investigations

Origins and development of criminal investigation. Emphasis on the scientific method, interrelationship of criminal investigations with criminalistics; recognition, documentation and collection of physical evidence; rules of evidence including admissibility, chain of custody and hearsay. Case studies will be used to illustrate the methodology of criminal investigation.

**Credits 5**

**Weekly Contact Hours 5**

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

Restricted Elective

## CJ 210: Police Organization & Administration

Introduces principles, concepts and theories relating to a police organization and administration within line and staff functions in the uniformed and investigative units.

**Credits 5**

**Weekly Contact Hours 5**

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

Restricted Elective

## CJ 230: Crisis Intervention

Theories of perception, emotion, motivation, personality and nonverbal communication used as tools by police officers in everyday contacts. Understanding and predicting human behavior in common police situations. Develop objective approaches to human relations problems and the ability to exercise skills in personal power and nonjudgmental communication.

**Credits 5**

**Weekly Contact Hours 5**

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

Restricted Elective

## CJ 245: Introduction to Traffic Investigations

Gain basic skills and knowledge in traffic accident investigation. Practical applications and techniques required to conduct a field investigation are emphasized. Basics of traffic control and traffic laws also are presented.

**Credits 5**

**Weekly Contact Hours 5**

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

Restricted Elective

## CJ 250: Criminal Justice Professional Development

Self-development activities are provided to assist students in gaining employment after graduation. Activities include civil service examinations, both written and oral, and exercises in professional conduct. Each student will go through initial physical assessments, physical training and final physical assessment in preparation for hiring standards and academy level testing standards.

**Credits 5**

**Weekly Contact Hours 5**

**Meets Degree Requirements For**

Restricted Elective

## CJ 260: Introduction to White Collar Crime

Examines concepts, extent and costs of white-collar and organized crime. 'Upperclass' offenders are described/contrasted to the common 'street' criminals. Individual/organizational forms of white-collar crime are reviewed and assessed. Special attention is paid to the use of criminal law in the control of what was once a civil arena.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## CJ 261: Law Enforcement Research

Introduces concepts, approaches and methods for conducting and analyzing empirical research for criminal justice settings. Topics covered include: quantitative and qualitative research, surveying, sampling, data tabulation and assessing how to choose the appropriate method for specific law enforcement situations.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## CJ 270: Medicolegal Death Investigation

Learn to conduct scientific, systematic and thorough death scene investigations for medical examiner and coroner offices. Course is appropriate training for police officers, physicians, nurses, emergency medical personnel, attorneys, forensic scientists and others who are involved with the investigation of violent, suspicious or unexpected deaths. Includes lab experiences.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## CJ 271: Advanced Criminal Investigations

In depth studies of criminal and crime scene investigations; advanced development of investigative skills and forensic applications for crime scenes and evidence evaluation. Emphasizes crime scene reconstruction as a means to solve and prosecute violent crimes.

**Credits** 5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 5

**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective

## CJ 296: Cooperative Work Experience

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**Credits** 1-5

**Weekly Contact Hours** 25

**Meets Degree Requirements For**  
Restricted Elective