

LAW-RELATED STUDIES

Overview

The Division of Law-Related Studies offers students the education needed to enter the law enforcement and paralegal professions.

The Criminal Justice associate degree program is for students who desire to begin careers in law enforcement, upgrade their skills, or transfer to a four-year institution to obtain a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, criminology or sociology. Some courses offered in the training curriculum at the SC Criminal Justice Academy are eligible for credit toward the Criminal Justice associate degree at TTC. Courses taken at TTC may be transferable to the SC Criminal Justice Academy for recertification credit for certified police and detention officers. Some credit may transfer to public and private colleges as well. Contact your advisor for more information about transfer options in criminal justice. The College also offers four Criminal Justice certificates: Law Enforcement, Corrections, Crime Scene Investigation, and Emergency Management and Protection. These certificates are designed for students who are not seeking an associate degree but need course work in criminal justice to help them gain employment or advance in their respective field of employment.

TTC's Paralegal associate degree program is designed for students who want a career as a paralegal. The College also offers a Paralegal certificate program for students who already have some college credit. To enter this program students must have at least 49.5 quarter or 33 semester credit hours, at a C or better, from an approved, accredited postsecondary institution. Of these hours, three hours must be CPT 101 or a comparable computer course, and 18 hours must be general education courses spread across three disciplines, with six of those 18 hours being comprised of ENG 101 and SPC 205 or SPC 209. Contact your advisor for further details. The Paralegal certificate program and the Paralegal associate degree program have received the approval of the American Bar Association.

General Information

Through internships, work-study positions or the College's cooperative education program, Criminal Justice and Paralegal students are provided the opportunity to receive on-the-job training in a variety of settings.

Students interested in Law-Related Studies programs should consult with a faculty advisor to discuss program requirements, class times and frequency of offerings. Seating is limited, so early registration is recommended. For more information call 843.722.5526.

Cancellation Policy

TTC reserves the right to cancel courses due to inadequate enrollment.

Programs of Study

Associate Degree Programs

Criminal Justice

Paralegal

Certificate Programs

Criminal Justice: Corrections

Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement

Crime Scene Investigation

Emergency Management and Protection

Paralegal

Note: All CRJ courses are taught at the downtown Palmer Campus. The degree and all certificates are also available online for those students who work or have other situations that prevent in class attendance.

Criminal Justice

Associate in Applied Science

Credit Requirements: 66 Semester Credit Hours

The Criminal Justice associate degree prepares students for entry level positions in law enforcement agencies as police officers and civilian support staff; in corrections and detention facilities as corrections officers and jailers; in prosecutors' offices and criminal defense firms as investigators, clerks, and support staff; in private security agencies as security officers and investigators and in homeland and corporate security departments as investigators, risk analysis officers and loss prevention and emergency planners where a degree is required. The degree also positions employees for pay raises and promotion eligibility.

Recommended Sequence of Courses

First Semester – Fall

CPT 101	Introduction to Computers	3
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
CRJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 125	Criminology	3
ELE CRJ		
Electives	Select three credit hours from Criminal Justice Electives	3
		Total 15

Second Semester – Spring

CRJ 140	Criminal Justice Report Writing	3
or		
ENG 102	English Composition II	3
CRJ 220	Judicial Process	3
CRJ 115	Criminal Law I	3
ELE CRJ		
Electives	Select three credit hours from Criminal Justice Electives	3
ELE SSC	Select three credit hours from Behavioral and Social Sciences Electives on page B-3	3
		Total 15

Third Semester – Summer

CRJ 210	The Juvenile and the Law	3
CRJ 222	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 242	Correctional Systems	3
ELE GEN	Select three hours from Criminal Justice General Electives	3
		Total 12

Fourth Semester – Fall

CRJ 236	Criminal Evidence	3
ELE MAT/SCI	Select one course from Math/Natural Science Electives	3
ELE GEN	Select three hours from Criminal Justice General Electives	3
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		Total 12

Fifth Semester – Spring

ELE HUM	Select one course from Humanities Elective	3
CRJ 130	Police Administration	3
ELE CRJ	Select three credit hours from Criminal Justice Electives	3
ELE GEN	Select three hours from Criminal Justice General Electives	3
		Total 12

Note: Discuss course selection with your advisor regarding transferability to four-year colleges. Some courses may not transfer.

Criminal Justice Electives

CRJ 110	Police Patrol	3
CRJ 120	Constitutional Law	3
CRJ 126	Criminal Justice Research Methods	3
CRJ 140	Criminal Justice Report Writing	3
CRJ 202	Criminalistics	3
CRJ 212	Protection Management	3
CRJ 218	Crisis Intervention	3
CRJ 232	White Collar Crimes Investigation	3
CRJ 233	Cyber Crimes and the Law	3
CRJ 235	Practical Crime Scene Investigation	3
CRJ 239	Homeland Security and Terrorism	3
CRJ 244	Probation, Pardon and Parole	3
CRJ 250	Criminal Justice Internship I	3
CWE 113	Cooperative Work Experience	
CWE 123	Cooperative Work Experience	

Criminal Justice General Electives

CRJ 102	Introduction to Security	3
CRJ 224	Police Community Relations	3
CRJ 230	Criminal Investigation I	3
CRJ 243	Criminal Profiling	3

Any additional course from General Education Core Curriculum

Paralegal

Associate in Applied Science

Credit Requirements: 69 Semester Credit Hours

The Paralegal associate degree program prepares students to work under the direct supervision of an attorney to prepare legal documents, recommend solutions for procedural problems, and create and implement detailed office procedures for the efficient handling of specialized fields of law. This program has received approval from the American Bar Association.

Note: Please see course descriptions. Most LEG courses require completion of prerequisites, corequisites or advisor's approval. Many LEG courses are offered only once each year, so following the recommended course sequence is very important. See your advisor prior to registration.