

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, AS

Program code: CRJS-AS-CRI

Location: Asnuntuck, Housatonic, Manchester, Norwalk

Program Description

The Criminal Investigations concentration enables students to advance to investigative positions in their current employment or gain employment in an investigative position. It combines specialized criminal justice, investigative and general education coursework to provide students with the knowledge and skills needed in investigative roles. Criminal Investigations is one of eight available areas of concentration within the field of Criminal Justice.

Note: Current law enforcement officers may take courses in this track for professional development.

Criminal Justice Program Goals

- Complete an Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice.
- Develop skills necessary to secure employment within field of criminal justice.
- Transfer into a Bachelor Degree Program.

Criminal Justice Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate an understanding of the roles of police, courts and corrections and explain the functions they serve within the criminal justice system and the community.
- Apply principles of constitutional and criminal laws that protect the rights of and regulates conduct of a culturally diverse society.
- Demonstrate knowledge of theories, principles, processes of the criminal justice system.
- Prepare written documents and deliver oral presentations related to the criminal justice field.

Criminal Investigations Learning Outcomes

1. Explain the practical, legal and logistical components of a criminal investigation.
2. Apply principles of constitutional and criminal laws to criminal investigations with a focus on 4th amendment standards of search and seizure as well as admissibility of evidence.
3. Demonstrate the ability to prepare written reports that integrate best practices for various types of investigations.
4. Identify career paths that focus on investigations.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Criminal Justice General Education Core		
ENG 1010	Composition	3
MATH 1000 or higher ¹		3-4
Elective ARHX - Arts & Humanities Course		3-4

Elective SCRX - Scientific Reasoning Course or Elective SCKX - Scientific Knowledge Course² 3-4

PSY 1011 General Psychology I 3

Elective ORAX - Oral Communication Course 3

CCS 1001 College and Career Success 3

Criminal Justice Additional General Education

Choose one of the following: 3

Elective WRIX - Written Communication II Course

CJS 2570 Writing and Research in Criminal Justice

SOC 1001 Principles of Sociology 3

Criminal Justice Program Core

CJS 1010 Introduction to Criminal Justice 3

CJS 2110 Criminal Law I 3

CJS 2130 Evidence and Criminal Procedure 3

CJS 2010/SOC 2040 Criminology 3

CJS 2095 Practicum in Criminal Justice 3

or CJS 2880 Careers in Criminal Justice

Choose one of the following: 3

CJS 2450 Diversity and Multiculturalism in Criminal Justice

CJS 2470 Fair and Impartial Policing

CJS 2550 Ethical Issue in Criminal Justice

CJS 2940 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice

POLS 1002 American Government 3

or POLS 1003 State and Local Government

Courses taken as part of the Criminal Justice core may not be used to satisfy the concentration electives.

Criminal Investigations Electives

Choose four of the following: 12

CJS 1390 Interview and Interrogation

CJS 2200 Criminal Investigations

CJS 2210 Arson Investigation

CJS 1520 Introduction to Digital Forensic Investigations

or CJS 2220 Computer Investigation Techniques

ART 1450 Digital Photography I

or CJS 2270 Forensic and Crime Scene Photography

CJS 2370 Crime Scene Processing

CJS 2380 White Collar Crime

CJS 2720 Inside the Criminal Mind

or PSY 2087 Forensic Psychology

ANTH 1007 Introduction to Forensic Anthropology

Combination of 3 one credit CJS courses

Total Credits

60-63

¹ MATH 1100 Quantitative Reasoning or MATH 1200 Statistics I recommended

² Recommended Science: CJS 2260 Introduction to Forensic Science or CJS 2850 Forensic Science with Laboratory

Students may complete only one Associate degree in this parent discipline.

- Criminal Justice, AS
- Criminal Justice: Computer Crime Investigations, AS
- Criminal Justice: Corrections, AS
- Criminal Justice: Homeland Security Certificate
- Criminal Justice: Homeland Security, AS
- Criminal Justice: Juvenile Justice, AS
- Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement, AS
- Criminal Justice: Law and Legal, AS
- Criminal Justice: Victimology, AS

Related CSCU Transfer Ticket program.

- Criminology Studies - CSCU Transfer Degree, AA