

 	<p style="text-align: center;">ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">POLICE SCIENCE</p> <p><i>The catalog in force is assigned to students based on the academic year they first applied to the college, and changes only when students change their major or request the change in writing. Refer to Policy No. 3357:15-13-28.</i></p>	2025-26 Catalog Effective Summer 2025
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Health and Public Services Division

Human Services and Justice Studies Department

TECHNICAL Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre- and Co-Requisites	Completed Sem./Year
CJS140	Law Enforcement Academy I ⁺⁺	12	IDS102 or Proficiency	
CJS240	Law Enforcement Academy II ⁺⁺	12	CJS140	
CJS121	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3		
CJS221	Criminology	3	CJS121	
Total		30		
NON-TECH Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre- and Co-Requisites	Completed Sem./Year
SSC101	Student Success Seminar ^{^^}	1	<i>Take first semester</i>	
ENG124	College Composition [^]	3	Co-ENG024 or Co-ENG011 or Proficiency	
PSY121	General Psychology [^]	3	IDS102 or Proficiency	
COM121	Effective Speaking	3		
Total		10		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		40		

[^]Based on SSC placement score.

^{^^}To promote student success, this course should be taken in the first semester.

⁺⁺Minimum grade of "C" required.

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The classes in this certificate also apply toward the completion of an Associate of Applied Science in Police Science (1300).

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FULL-TIME STUDENT ADVISING NOTES

Academic Advising

Students should make an appointment to see their advisor before registering for classes each semester. They should have prepared a completed registration form, including courses they wish to take, prior to this meeting.

Course Sequence

The semester-by-semester listing below provides the normal scheduling option for students seeking a one-year certificate.

<u>First Semester</u>		<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Pre- and Co-requisites</u>
SSC101	Student Success Seminar^^	1	<i>Take first semester</i>
CJS140	Law Enforcement Academy I^++	12	IDS102 or Proficiency
CJS121	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	
COM121	Effective Speaking	<u>3</u>	
		19	
<u>Second Semester</u>			
CJS240	Law Enforcement Academy II++	12	CJS140
ENG124	College Composition^	3	Co-ENG024 or Co-ENG011 or Proficiency
PSY121	General Psychology^	3	IDS102 or Proficiency
CJS221	Criminology	<u>3</u>	CJS121
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	TOTAL CREDITS	40	

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