

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

The Criminal Justice AS degree program offers a sequence of courses that provides coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare students to work as criminal justice practitioners/supervisors/managers in law enforcement agencies, correctional institutions, juvenile courts, crime laboratories, and mobile units dealing with physical evidence, etc. The program can also provide supplemental training for persons previously or currently employed in these occupations (SOC 33-1012). The program may also be beneficial to professionals seeking salary incentive benefits or career enhancement in the field.

This program does not prepare students for certification as correctional officers, law enforcement officers, correctional probation officers, or auxiliary law enforcement officers, regardless of the amount of degree work completed. A student must successfully complete a Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC) Basic Recruit Program to become certified, pursuant to Chapter 943, Florida Statutes.

Articulation Program in Criminal Justice

Students entering this program who have completed the Basic Corrections Training or the Basic Police Recruit Training at any FDLE/CJSTC approved training center and hold current state criminal justice certification may have credits applied toward program completion. Contact LSSC's Workforce Development office for more details at 352-435-6358.

This program includes the following certificate:

- Criminal Justice Specialist, College Credit Certificate (24 credits) (p.)

Academic Advising

- advising@lssc.edu 352-787-3747

Career Development Services

- Careers@lssc.edu 352-323-3603

Program Contact Information

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Full-Time Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
BSC 1005 or ESC 1000	Introduction to Life Science or Earth Science Survey	3
CGS 1100	Business Computer Applications	3
CCJ 1020	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
ENC 1101	College Composition I	3
CJE 1002	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
POS 2041	American National Government	3
MGF 1100 or MAT 1033	Introduction to Mathematical Thinking or Intermediate Algebra	3

CJC 1000	Introduction to Corrections	3
CCJ 1001	Introduction to Criminology	3
CJ Program Elective		3
Hours		15
Third Semester		
CJL 2100	Criminal Law	3
CJE 2500	Police Operations	3
HUM 2020 or PHI 2010	Introduction to Humanities: Antiquity through the 21st Century or Introduction to Philosophy	3
CJE 2331	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CJE 2600	Criminal Investigation	3
Hours		15
Fourth Semester		
MGF 1106 or MAC 1105	Liberal Arts Math or College Algebra	3
CJ Program Elective		3
CJE 2006	Police and Society	3
CJL 2102	Criminal Procedure & Evidence	3
CCJ 2358	Criminal Justice Report Writing	3
Hours		15
Total Hours		60

¹ MAT 1100 serves only as a prerequisite for MGF 1106 Liberal Arts Math and MGF 1107 Explorations In Math, not MAC 1105 College Algebra. If you plan to take MAC 1105 College Algebra, select MAT 1033 Intermediate Algebra.

Part-Time Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
CCJ 1020	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
ENC 1101	College Composition I	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
CJE 1002	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
BSC 1005 or ESC 1000	Introduction to Life Science or Earth Science Survey	3
Hours		6
Third Semester		
MAT 1100 or MAT 1033	¹ or Intermediate Algebra	3
POS 2041	American National Government	3
Hours		6
Fourth Semester		
MGF 1106 or MAC 1105	Liberal Arts Math or College Algebra	3
CJC 1000	Introduction to Corrections	3
Hours		6
Fifth Semester		
CGS 1100	Business Computer Applications	3
CJE 2006	Police and Society	3
Hours		6
Sixth Semester		
CCJ 1001	Introduction to Criminology	3
CJL 2100	Criminal Law	3
Hours		6
Seventh Semester		
CJE 2500	Police Operations	3
CJL 2102	Criminal Procedure & Evidence	3
Hours		6

Eighth Semester		
CJE 2331	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CJE 2600	Criminal Investigation	3
Hours		6
Ninth Semester		
CJ Program Elective		3
HUM 2020 or PHI 2010	Introduction to Humanities: Antiquity through the 21st Century or Introduction to Philosophy	3
Hours		6
Tenth Semester		
CCJ 2358	Criminal Justice Report Writing	3
CJ Program Elective		3
Hours		6
Total Hours		60

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Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Courses		
ENC 1101	College Composition I	3
Select a State Core Course from Area II: Humanities ¹		3
POS 2041	American National Government or AMH 2020 U.S. History Since 1877	3
Select a State Core Course from Area IV: Mathematics ¹		3
Natural Sciences State Core ¹		3
Introductory Courses		
CGS 1100	Business Computer Applications	3
CJE 2006	Police and Society	3
CCJ 1020	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJE 1002	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
CJC 1000	Introduction to Corrections	3
SPC 2608	Public Speaking	3
Intermediate Courses		
CCJ 1001	Introduction to Criminology	3
CJL 2100	Criminal Law	3
CCJ 2358	Criminal Justice Report Writing	3
CJE 2500	Police Operations	3
Advanced Courses		
CJL 2102	Criminal Procedure & Evidence	3
CJE 2331	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
CJE 2600	Criminal Investigation	3
Program Electives		
Select six of the following Electives: ²		6
MAT 1033	Intermediate Algebra	
MGF 1100	Introduction to Mathematical Thinking	
PSY 2012	Introduction to Psychology	
REL 2300	World Religions	
SYG 2000	Introduction to Sociology	

SYG 2010	Social Problems	
Total Hours		60

¹ See choices

² Any CCJ, CJC, CJE, CJL, SCC course not already required. 3 Credits

When beginning this program, students should make an appointment for advising with the Program Manager through the Program Contact email address below.

Only required courses for an LSSC degree or qualifying certificate program are eligible for federal financial aid. Verify course choices and avoid charges by making an appointment with an academic advisor.

As per the amended Florida Rule 6A-10.02413, prior to the award of an associate in science or associate in applied science degree, LSSC students under the 2022-2023 Catalog and thereafter must demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options prior to graduation:

- successfully passing POS 2041 American National Government or AMH 2020 U.S. History Since 1877 and achieving a 60% or higher on the Florida Civic Literacy Exam , or
- successfully passing a prescribed assessment:
 - AP Government & Politics Test: United States (passing score of 3), or
 - AP U.S. History Test (passing score of 4), or
 - CLEP. American Government (passing score of 50)

To verify your Civic Literacy Requirement, please visit Degree Works.

For information about career options, visit www.lssc.edu/careers (<http://www.lssc.edu/careers/>).

Students must complete 25% of each program's total credit hours at LSSC and earn a grade of C or higher in all introductory, intermediate, advanced, and program elective courses.

Note: Regardless of any degree work completed, in order to be a sworn law enforcement or corrections officer in the state of Florida, students must successfully complete a state mandated training academy program.