

Criminal Justice - Law Enforcement A.A.S.

Career Community: Public Service Careers

Curriculum Code: 1210

Effective: Fall 2025 - Summer 2030

Purpose of the Major

This degree program prepares individuals for a career as a law enforcement officer. It also prepares students for possible entry into the Police Academy Program. Not all courses in this program transfer to all colleges. Students planning to transfer should see an academic advisor before enrolling in any course.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of CJUS 101 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Additional Information

Students who successfully complete LCC's Mid-Michigan Police Academy may substitute the Academy courses; CJUS 270, CJUS 271, PFFT 114 and PFHW 100; for the entire fourth semester of this guided pathway. Please see an advisor in the Public Service Careers Department office for more information.

Contact Information

For further information, including about career options, course substitutions and waivers, and current Mid-Michigan Police Academy admission and/or program requirements, contact the Public Service Careers Program at the West Campus Building, Room M127, telephone number 517-483-1570 or Student Services West Campus, West Campus Building, Room M106, telephone number 517-267-5452.

Major Required Courses - Some courses meet General Education requirements for MTA. A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course).

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1/1
CITF 110	Intro Computer Info Systems	3/3
CJUS 101	Intro to Criminal Justice	3/3
CJUS 102	Crime Causes and Conditions	3/3
CJUS 103	Criminal Law	3/3
CJUS 104	Theory of Patrol	3/3
CJUS 106	Intro to Juvenile Justice	3/3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
CJUS 131	Introduction to Corrections	3/3
CJUS 201	Criminal Justice Org/Admin	3/3
CJUS 203	Criminal Procedure	3/3
CJUS 204	Criminal Investigation	4/4
CJUS 205	Policing into the 21st Century	3/3
CJUS 207	Digital Evidence/1st Responder	3/3
CJUS 210	Intro to Forensic Science	3/3
CJUS 245	Report Writing/Crim Justice	3/3
COMM 120 or	Dynamics of Communication	3/3
COMM 130 or	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3/3
ENGL 122 or	Composition II	4/4
ENGL 132	Honors Composition II	4/4
ENGL 121 or	Composition I	4/4
ENGL 131	Honors Composition I	4/4
MATH 119 or	Math – Applications for Living	4/4
MATH 120 or	College Algebra	4/4
STAT 170	Introduction to Statistics	4/4
MGMT 234 or	Diversity in the Workplace	3/3
PSYC 200 or	Introduction to Psychology	4/4
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

Students considering transfer, choose PSYC 200 or SOCL 120.

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab – Select one lab course as indicated for each major and/or transfer institution. If a specific course is not indicated in the notes below, choose any recommended course or choose from General Education Applied Degrees: Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab. A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for General Education courses.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
ANTH 280	ForensicAnthropology	3/3
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4/6
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4/6

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
BIOL 145	Intro Anatomy and Physiology	4/6

Note: BIOL 120 is recommended. Students not transferring can take ANTH 280 as their Science course.

General Education - Applied Degrees

- English Composition or Applied English
 Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
 Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
 Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.

Additional Credits

After completing the course and credit requirements as noted on this pathway, students who fall short of the 60-credit minimum required for an Associate Degree may select any course(s) needed to reach 60 credits, except those courses noted in number 7 in the Institutional Requirements for Associate Degrees. Students are encouraged to use Degree Works and meet with an Advisor to ensure all requirements are met and for course recommendations.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

60 credits / 60 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

SemesterI
ACAD 100
CITF 110
CJUS 101 – Milestone course
CJUS 102
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170

SemesterII
CJUS 103
CJUS 106
CJUS 205
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
MGMT 234 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120

SemesterIII
CJUS 104
CJUS 203
CJUS 210
CJUS 245
Limited Choice – Natural Science or Applied Science and Technology Lab

SemesterIV
CJUS 131
CJUS 201
CJUS 204
CJUS 207

LCC makes every effort to limit revisions to the pathways during their effective timeframe. However, the College reserves the right to update certificate and degree titles, and make course changes as needed, without prior notice. The College also reserves the right to discontinue programs when warranted.