

Criminal Justice - Digital Evidence Specialist A.A.S.

Career Community: Public Service Careers

Curriculum Code: 1803

Effective: Fall 2025 – Summer 2030

Purpose of the Major

We live in a technology driven society whereby computers aid in many if not all of our daily activities. Today's modern-day criminal uses technology to support criminal activity such as cell phones, tablets, GPS and computers. Police Officers are responsible for keeping the peace within a community using all the tools available to them. This career is perfectly suited for individuals that seek adventure and the satisfaction of helping the community using digital technology to solve crimes. Police Officers are problem solvers, emergency responders and natural investigators. This degree program prepares individuals for a career as a Digital Evidence Specialist, Law Enforcement Officer, and other criminal justice related careers such as in probation and parole. 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 207 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.

Contact Information

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., 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).

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Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1/1
CITC 287	Cybersecurity Incident Respons	3/3
CITF 110	Intro Computer Info Systems	3/3
CITF 120	Operating Systems Concepts	3/3
CITN 280	IT Security Foundations	3/3
CITS 225	Networking for PC Technicians	3/3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/Billing Hours
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 203	Criminal Procedure	3/3
CJUS 204	Criminal Investigation	4/4
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 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

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ANTH 280	ForensicAnthropology	3/3
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4/6
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
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170

SemesterII	
CITF 120	
CJUS 102	
CJUS 207 – Milestone course	

SemesterII
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
MGMT 234 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120

SemesterIII	
CITC 287	
CITN 280	
CJUS 103	
CJUS 104	
CJUS 203	

SemesterIV
CITS 225
CJUS 204
CJUS 210
CJUS 245
Limited Choice, Natural Science or Applied Science and Technology Lab

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.