



Public Service Careers GA

Career Community: PublicService Careers

Curriculum Code: 1848

Effective: Fall 2025 – Summer 2030

Purpose of the Major

The PublicService Career Community is right for you if you enjoy helping individuals and communities by providing safety, security, and community service. All of the programs in this pathway offer a path to employment, transfer into a four-year or bachelor's degree program, or both. Programs in this Career Community can lead to immediate work as a corrections officer, digital evidence specialist, firefighter, or police officer.

Milestone

Completion of the required General Education courses in Math and English 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

The PublicService Career Academies are selective admissions programs. Please see an advisor in the Public Service Careers Department office for more information.

If you are interested in the Legal Studies Program, please contact an advisor in the Public Service Career's office, West Campus, Room M127, telephone number 517-483-1507 for more information.

Contact Information

For further information, including about career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the PublicService Careers, West Campus, Room M127, telephone number 517-483-1507, or Student Services, West Campus, telephone number 517-483-5509.

Career Community Courses

These courses are required for all Public Service Career programs (Criminal Justice and Fire). They should be taken before other Program Required or Limited Choice 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
CJUS 101 or	Intro to Criminal Justice	3 / 3
CJUS 131 or	Introduction to Corrections	3 / 3
FIRE 100	Principles Emergency Services	4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/ Billing Hours
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132	Dynamics of Communication Fundamentals Public Speaking Composition II Honors Composition II	3 / 3 3 / 3 4 / 4 4 / 4
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math – Applications for Living College Algebra Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4
MGMT 234 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120	Diversity in the Workplace Introduction to Psychology Introduction to Sociology	3 / 3 4 / 4 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.

For future major areas:

- Criminal Justice A.A. (Transfer), choose CJUS 101, COMM 130, and SOCL 120.
- Digital Evidence Specialist, choose CJUS 101 and MGMT 234.
- Juvenile Specialization choose CJUS 101 and PSYC 200.
- Corrections choose CJUS 131 and PSYC 200.
- Law Enforcement choose CJUS 101 or CJUS 131, and MGMT 234.
- Fire Science or Fire Science/Basic EMT choose FIRE 100.

Students considering future 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	Forensic Anthropology	3 / 3
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4 / 6
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4 / 6
BIOL 145	Intro Anatomy and Physiology	4 / 6

Notes:

- Criminal Justice, BIOL 120 is recommended. (Students not transferring can take ANTH 280 as their Science course.)
- Fire Science or Fire Science/Basic EMT, BIOL 145 is recommended.

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice - *Select 35 credits. Work with an Academic Advisor or Program Advisor to select the most appropriate courses or to select a field-specific major or transfer major that meets your educational and career goals. A minimum of 2.0 is required 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
CITC 287	Cybersecurity Incident Response	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
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
CJUS 126	Juvenile Offenders/Families	3 / 3
CJUS 131	Introduction to Corrections	3 / 3
CJUS 133	Juvenile Residential Services	3 / 3
CJUS 134	Probation and Parole	3 / 3
CJUS 135	Legal Issues in 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/1 st Responder	3 / 3
CJUS 210	Intro to Forensic Science	3 / 3
CJUS 245	Report Writing/Crim Justice	3 / 3
CJUS 250	Correctional Institutions	3 / 3
CJUS 251	Correctional Clients	3 / 3
CJUS 255	Human Relations/Crim Justice	3 / 3
CJUS 272	Local Corrections Academy I	5 / 5
CJUS 273	Local Corrections Academy II	3 / 5
CJUS 286	Juvenile Internship I	3 / 3
COMM 110	Communication in the Workplace	3 / 3
EMTA 121	EMT Medical Trauma	5 / 5
EMTA 122	EMT Skills	2.75 / 5.5
EMTA 125	EMT Clinical	2.25 / 2.25

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/ Billing Hours
FIRE 101	MI F.F.T.C. Basic Fire Level I	10 / 14
FIRE 102	MI F.F.T. C. Basic Fire Lev II	6 / 8
FIRE 104	Fire Behavior & Combustion	3 / 3
FIRE 105	Fire/Hydraulics/Water Supply	4 / 4
FIRE 110	Fire Prevention	3 / 3
FIRE 112	Occup Health & Safety/Fire Svc	4 / 4
FIRE 115	Bldg Construction/Fire Protect	4 / 4
FIRE 125	Fire Protection Systems	4 / 4
FIRE 150	Strategy and Tactics	4 / 4
FIRE 210	Fire Investigation I	4 / 4
FIRE 250	Fire Administration I	4 / 4
FIRE 270	Fire Service Career Developmnt	3 / 3
HUSE 110	Child Abuse and Neglect	3 / 3
HUSE 242	The Family: Addiction/Violence	3 / 3
PFFT 119	Fire Academy Fitness Training	3 / 4
PSYC 202	Psychology of Personality	3 / 3
PSYC 221	Child Psychology	3 / 3
PSYC 250	Abnormal Psychology	3 / 3
SOCL 255	Contemporary Social Problems	3 / 3
SOCL 260	Race and Ethnicity	3 / 3
SOWK 101	Introduction to Social Work	3 / 3

General Education – Applied Degrees

- English Composition or Applied English
Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course)/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 Science 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

College-ready Full-time

Semester I
ACAD 100
CJUS 101 or CJUS 131 or FIRE 100
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
MGMT 234 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab

Semester II
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
Limited Choice course for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS

Semester III
Students who have decided on an academic program within the Public Services Career Community should select that program through the Change of Program request form and follow the coursework outlined for the associated pathway.
Limited Choice course for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS

Semester IV
Students who have decided on an academic program within the Public Services Career Community should select that program through the Change of Program request form and follow the coursework outlined for the associated pathway.
Limited Choice course for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS

College-ready Part-time

Semester I
ACAD 100
CJUS 101 or CJUS 131 or FIRE 100
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170

Semester II
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
Limited Choice course(s) for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS

Semester III – Summer (Optional)
MGMT 234 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120

Semester III – Summer (Optional)
Limited Choice course for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS

Semester IV
MGMT 234 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120 (if no summer enrollment)
Limited Choice course for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS
Students who have decided on an academic program within the Public Services Career Community should select that program through the Change of Program request form and follow the coursework outlined for the associated pathway.

Semester V
Limited Choice course for students completing the Public Service Career Community AAS

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.