

Criminal Justice: Forensic Tech

THE PROGRAM

The Forensic Tech program provides students with learning experiences and instruction in the technical areas of forensics science, allowing them to develop the skills necessary for this specialty area of criminal justice. Forensic Technology includes identification, documentation, collection and processing of a wide range of evidentiary items including DNA, ballistics, fingerprints, tool impressions, and toxicology. Students will also learn crime scene reconstruction and analysis. An associate level Forensic Tech program is an excellent way to get a basic understanding of the field and to prepare students for entry-level work or advanced study. Requires 60 credit hours.

The CRJ Program is part of the Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security Career Cluster: Planning, managing, and providing legal, public safety, protective services and homeland security, including professional and technical support services. For more information, visit www.careertech.org/career-clusters/.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Professionals in Criminal Justice enjoy a wide range of career choices: loss prevention specialist, private security officer, private investigator, coroner, police officer, correctional officer, forensic nursing, federal agent, crime scene investigator, laboratory technician, probation officer, or parole officer.

FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester		
CRJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	(3)
CRJ 107	Criminal Law I	(3)
CRJ 250	Criminalistics I	(3)
ENG 103	Composition I OR	
ENG 109	Introduction to Technical Report Writing	(3)
SOC 170	Introduction to Sociology	(3)
Spring Semester		
CRJ 230	Ethics for Criminal Justice	(3)
CRJ 251	Criminalistics II	(3)
BIO 103	General Biology	(3)
BIO 105	General Biology Lab	(1)
COM 100	Oral Communication OR	
COM 108	Communication in the Workplace	(3)
MAT 101	Topics in Mathematics OR	
	Higher level mathematics course	(3-4)

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester		
CRJ 201	Criminal Investigation	(3)
CRJ 221	Constitutional Law for Police	(3)
ANT 240	Physical Anthropology	(3)
BIO 109	Human Biology	(3)
BIO 110	Human Biology Lab	(1)
CIS 101	Introduction to Computers	(3)
Spring Semester		
CRJ 151	Narcotics and Drug Enforcement	(3)
CHE 110	Basic Chemistry	(3)
CHE 111	Basic Chemistry Lab	(1)
PSY 102	Introduction to Psychology	(3)
SOC 288	Criminology	(3)

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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STUDENT SERVICES

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