

Criminal Justice–Police

Degree Awarded: Associate in Applied Science

Recommended Course Sequence

First Semester	Credits
ENG 101 Freshman English 1	3
CRJ 101 Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 105 Police/Community Relations	3
CRJ 107 Industrial & Private Security	3
CRJ 215 Criminal Investigation 1	3
PES 100 Concepts of Physical Wellness	1
Second Semester	
ENG 102 Freshman English 2	3
PSY____ Psychology Course	3
CRJ 111 Criminology	3
CRJ 106 Patrol Operations	3
CRJ 216 Criminal Investigation 2	3
PES ____ Physical Education	1
Third Semester	
SOC 120 Social Problems or	
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3
CRJ 103 Understanding the Juvenile Offender	3
_____ Math or Liberal Arts Science	3
CRJ 213 Police Organization & Administration	3
CRJ 226 Criminalistics	3
Fourth Semester	
COM 101 Foundation of Communication	3
POL 102 U.S. Gov't-State & Local	3
CRJ 211 Criminal Law	3
_____ Math or Liberal Arts Science	3
_____ Elective	3

Total Credits: 62

Program Description

The mission of the SUNY Orange Department of Criminal Justice is to provide qualitative educational programs in the areas of Law, Justice, Corrections and Law Enforcement. Through this programming, our students develop skills and knowledge that prepares them to continue their education and/or to pursue entry level careers in the field of criminal justice.

The Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S) degree program in Criminal Justice–Police is aimed at students who do not anticipate continuing their studies at a four-year institution because they envision themselves entering the workforce directly upon graduating. As a result, the A.A.S. degree does not have the same math or science requirements as the A.S. degree, though many of the other required courses in the A.A.S. degree are identical to those required by the A.S. degree. The A.A.S. provides students with the college credits often required by many local, state and federal criminal justice agencies so it is intended to prepare students for entry level positions in law enforcement, security, law, probation, parole, juvenile justice and investigations. All instructors, in addition to their advanced educational backgrounds, are experienced practitioners in their fields.

Admission Criteria

Admission to these programs requires that students be high school graduates or have high school equivalency diplomas (HSEs). If students are not high school graduates they may be eligible for admission to the college's 24 credit hour program. If students are home schooled, they may be eligible for admission. (See pages 7 through 13 for more details on the admission process for all applicants).

Degree Programs, Classes and Advising

Criminal Justice degree programs are offered at both the Middletown and Newburgh campuses. We have day and evening classes and many of our courses are also available online. Students will be assigned a faculty advisor who can help answer any questions they might have regarding classes, scheduling, etc. All teaching faculty have weekly office hours during the Fall and Spring semesters and are usually available at other times by appointment. If you need to contact a faculty member we encourage you to email them. Email addresses can be found on our website - www.sunyorange.edu/cj/faculty.shtml

This program can be completed in its entirety at either the Middletown campus or the Newburgh campus.

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Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of these programs, students will demonstrate:

- an understanding of the components and functions of the criminal justice system (police, courts, corrections)
- an understanding of the common concepts relevant to the criminal justice system and be able to assess and discuss these concepts.
- an understanding of our legal system, constitutional law, procedural law and substantive law.
- an understanding of the importance of diversity and ethics and their impact and relevancy within the criminal justice system.
- effective oral and written communication skills



Career Opportunities

- Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS)
- park police
- postal inspector
- secret service agent
- secret service uniformed
- deputy sheriff
- state police/trooper
- police officer
- district attorney
- defense counsel
- correction officer
- forensics specialist
- court clerk
- ballistics specialist
- fingerprint specialist
- security

Transfer Opportunities

SUNY Orange has special relationships with upper-level colleges and universities for transfer.

These transfer institutions include:

- Berkley College
- John Jay College of Criminal Justice
- Marist College
- Mount St. Mary College
- Pace University
- St. Thomas Aquinas
- St John's University
- SUNY

Criminal Justice Offices

The Department of Criminal Justice's Middletown office is located Hudson Hall room 103 and our Newburgh office is located in room 317 of the Tower Building. Please feel free to stop by and say hello. You will find the Criminal Justice faculty and staff eager to assist you as you move towards completing your degree.

Contact Information

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