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LAW ENFORCEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY

Associate of
Applied Science
Degree

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This program can open up new and exciting possibilities within the fields of law enforcement and homeland security. The program is designed to prepare students to serve the community as an entry-level law enforcement officer or in a position within a government agency. Graduates are prepared to perform the basic duties and tasks associated with entry-level positions in law enforcement and homeland security.



Job Opportunities:

- Police Officer
- Security and Protective Services
- TSA Specialist
- Deportation Officer
- Detention Officer
- Emergency Management Specialist
- Border Patrol Agent
- Immigration and Customs Agent
- Criminal Investigator
- K-9 Officer
- FEMA Specialist
- Coast Guard
- Railroad Police
- Animal Plant and Health Inspection Service
- Security Analyst
- Private Security Officer
- Crime Statistics Analyst

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This degree can be used for seeking immediate entry-level employment in law enforcement and select federal law enforcement jobs.

Most federal law enforcement positions require a bachelor's degree. Each transfer institution accepts different courses to fulfill their requirements. Check with the receiving institution to see what credits will transfer. Please work closely with an SCC advisor.

Program Overview:

The Law Enforcement and Homeland Security program equips students with the skills and knowledge needed to begin a career in law enforcement, homeland security and other federal agencies.

This program is designed to support the continued professional growth of in-service practitioners through the enhancement of field specifics and knowledge. The program provides students educational and internship experiences that enable them to succeed in entry-level positions or advance in their criminal justice career. The program provides an overview of the criminal justice system while also focusing on elements of supervision, risk assessment, conflict resolution, communications, and reporting techniques.

SCC's criminal justice faculty have extensive education, knowledge and experience in law enforcement, corrections, juvenile justice, probation, military, prosecution, and defense litigation, as well as the proper procedures and an understanding of criminal law, which means students receive up-to-date information and relevant skills.

Homeland Security Focus

The Homeland Security focus is designed to prepare students to handle risk management, systems integration, threat dynamics and the legal, political and ethical issues associated with homeland security. The criminal justice system, perspectives on terrorism, cyber security and continuity of operations also are examined.

Graduates of this program focus may seek employment as homeland security professionals in various occupations, including border, airport and seaport security, as well as employment in the intelligence field, technology security and disaster or emergency response.

Law Enforcement Focus

This focus is suitable for individuals working in the field of law enforcement who are seeking additional education to advance their careers. This program may lead to employment as a municipal police officer, deputy sheriff, federal enforcement officer, or private or public security officer.

Special Program Requirements:

Course offerings and prerequisites will be determined by the program. A grade of "C" or higher is required in all CRIM classes and ENGL1010 (when listed as a prerequisite) to progress through the program.

A criminal background check will be required of each student in this program. Based on the outcome of the background check, a student may be prevented from taking certain courses, accessing certain laboratory experiences, or completing the program. A non-refundable fee of \$45 will be assessed for this CBC.

There are strict admission/hiring qualifications by criminal justice agencies if you are considering employment in the criminal justice profession. Factors that usually disqualify candidates from employment include (but not limited to), a criminal record (i.e. theft, assault, any felony), history of drug/alcohol abuse, significant psychological/personal disorders, dishonesty, etc. Criminal Justice agencies hire only the best qualified individuals to obtain and maintain public trust and confidence.

General Education Requirements:

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES- 22.5 credit hours (all courses are required in this section)

GEL0 #1:	Oral Communication	
	SPCH1090: Fundamentals of Human Communication or higher	4.5
GEL0#2:	Written Communication	
	ENGL1010: English Composition	4.5
GEL0#4:	Global Awareness and Citizenship	
	SOCI1020: Diversity in Society	4.5
Students must take 2 classes from the areas of		<u>9.0</u>
GEL0 #3:	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	
GEL0#5:	Analytical, Quantitative, and Scientific Reasoning	
GEL0 #6:	Career and Life Skills	
Total General Education Credits		22.5

Core Courses:

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM1010	Intro to Criminal Justice	4.5
CRIM2000	Criminal Law	4.5
CRIM2030	Police & Society	4.5
CRIM2240	Ethics in Criminal Justice	4.5
CRIM2290	Report Writing in Criminal Justice	4.5
CRIM2340	Effective Communications in Criminal Justice	4.5
CRIM2400	Introduction to Homeland Security	4.5
CRIM2430	Introduction to Emergency Management	<u>4.5</u>
		36.0 hours

Required Courses for Law Enforcement Focus:

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM1030	Courts and the Judicial Process	4.5
CRIM2080	Criminal Procedures	4.5
CRIM2100	Juvenile Justice	4.5
CRIM2190	Law Enforcement Field Services	4.5
CRIM2200	Criminology	4.5
CRIM2265	Criminal Investigation I	4.5
CRIM2270	Criminal Investigation II	4.5
CRIM2890	Criminal Justice Internship Seminar	1.5
CRIM2900	Criminal Justice Internship	4.5
PHED1000	Lifetime Wellness	<u>4.5</u>
		42.0 hours

Required Courses for Homeland Security Focus

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM2410	Critical Infrastructure Security	4.5
CRIM2450	Domestic and International Terrorism	4.5
CRIM2460	Intelligence in Homeland Security	4.5
CRIM2465	Cyber Threats in Homeland Security	4.5
CRIM2470	Constitutional Issues in Homeland Security	4.5
POLS1000	American Government	4.5
POLS1080	Introduction to Political Science	4.5
POLS1600	Introduction to International Relations	<u>4.5</u>
		36.0 hours

Estimated Expenses

Nebraska Resident tuition/fee rate is \$69.50 per credit hour. Out-of-state tuition/fee rate is \$83.50 per credit hour. Graduation fee is \$25.

Housing is available at Beatrice and Milford campuses only. Tuition, books and fees are dependent upon classes taken each quarter.

Students should plan a budget that includes room, meals, clothing, laundry, medical care, recreation and entertainment, transportation, insurance, etc.

Based on completing an average of 13.5 credits each quarter, this program will take approximately eight quarters to complete. If foundation classes in Math and English need to be taken, this could possibly extend past eight quarters.

Criminal Background Check	\$45
Crime Scene Kit (online only)	\$85
Safety Goggles (Forensics class)	\$5
Memo Pad	\$2

Approx. 8 quarters to complete	
Based on approx. 13.5 credit hrs/qtr	
Tuition & Fees	\$938
Books	\$650
Average per Quarter:	\$1,588
Total Estimate (8 qtrs.)	\$12,704