



## Associate of Applied Science Degree

### Credit Hours Required for Graduation: Associate of Applied Science Degree:

- Law Enforcement ..... 62
- Homeland Security ..... 60



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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.*

## Why SCC?

Our criminal justice faculty at SCC have extensive education and experience in law enforcement, military, prosecution and defense litigation, crime-scene investigation, homeland security, and federal law enforcement. SCC instructors have proven experience, knowledge of proper procedures and an understanding of criminal law, which means students receive up-to-date information and relevant skills. The program provides educational and internship experiences that enable students to succeed at an entry-level position or advance in their criminal justice career. The program provides an overview of the criminal justice system while also focusing on elements of criminal investigations, crisis management, communications and reporting techniques. The Homeland Security focus explores risk management, systems integration, threat dynamics and the legal, political and ethical issues associated with homeland security. The Law Enforcement focus is suitable for adults currently working in the field of law enforcement who are seeking additional education to further their careers. This program of study may lead to employment as a municipal police officer, deputy sheriff, federal enforcement officer, or private or public security officer.



*Joining the Law Enforcement and Homeland Security program has been one of the best choices I have made in my career! The SCC criminal justice team not only offers amazing programs, it also provides students with professional, experienced instructors who are motivated to guide students on the right path!*

- Ashley Landeros, June 2019 Graduate



## Top Career Options

- Police Officer
- Security and Protective Services
- TSA Specialist
- Deportation Officer
- Border Patrol Agent



## Graduate Earnings

Recent graduates report an average starting wage of \$17.70 per hour.

2019-2020 Tuition/Fee Rate Per Credit Hour	
Nebraska Resident	\$108
Out-of-state tuition/fee rate	\$129
<b>Estimated Expenses</b>	
Tuition/Fees	\$ 6696
Books	650
Special Fees	137
Tools/Supplies	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$7,483</b>



## Types of jobs available

Graduates of the program will find employment in a wide variety of entry-level positions within Law Enforcement and Homeland Security.

This degree can be used for seeking immediate entry-level employment in law enforcement and a select federal law enforcement jobs. SCC offers Criminal Justice courses as electives in the Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) degree in the Academic Transfer program if you're looking to earn a bachelor's degree. Most federal law enforcement positions require a bachelor's degree. Each transfer university accepts different courses to fulfill their requirements. It is the student's responsibility to check with their receiving institution to see what credits will transfer. Please work closely with an SCC advisor.

## 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- 15 credit hours

(all courses are required in this section)

GELO #1: Oral Communication

SPCH1090: Fundamentals of Human Communication or higher 3.0

GELO#2: Written Communication

ENGL1010: English Composition 3.0

GELO#4: Global Awareness and Citizenship

SOCI1020: Diversity in Society 3.0

Students must take 2 classes from the areas of

GELO #3: Critical Thinking and Problem Solving 6.0

GELO#5: Analytical, Quantitative, and Scientific Reasoning

GELO #6: Career and Life Skills

Total General Education Credits

15

## Core Courses

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM1010	Intro to Criminal Justice	3.0
CRIM2000	Criminal Law	3.0
CRIM2030	Police & Society	3.0
CRIM2240	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3.0
CRIM2290	Report Writing in Criminal Justice	3.0
CRIM2340	Effective Communications in Criminal Justice	3.0
CRIM2400	Introduction to Homeland Security	3.0
CRIM2430	Introduction to Emergency Management	3.0
		24.0 hours

## Required Courses for Law Enforcement Focus

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM2080	Criminal Procedures	3.0
CRIM2100	Juvenile Justice	3.0
CRIM2190	Law Enforcement Field Services	3.0
CRIM2200	Criminology	3.0
CRIM2265	Criminal Investigation I	3.0
CRIM2270	Criminal Investigation II	3.0
CRIM2890	Criminal Justice Internship Seminar	2.0
CRIM2900	Criminal Justice Internship	3.0
		23.0 hours

## Required Courses for Homeland Security Focus

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM2410	Critical Infrastructure Security	3.0
CRIM2450	Domestic and International Terrorism	3.0
CRIM2460	Intelligence in Homeland Security	3.0
CRIM2465	Cyber Threats in Homeland Security	3.0
CRIM2470	Constitutional Issues in Homeland Security	3.0
POLS1000	American Government	3.0
POLS1080	Introduction to Political Science	3.0
		21.0 hours