



CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Associate of Applied Science Degree

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You can make a difference with a career in criminal justice. Graduates of the program will find employment in a wide variety of entry-level positions within the profession.



Graduate Earnings

Recent graduates report an average starting wage of \$16 per hour.

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Job Opportunities:

- Communications Officer
- Crime Lab Technician
- Crime Prevention Specialist
- Animal Control Officer
- K-9 Unit Specialist
- Railroad Police
- Corrections Officer
- Bailiff
- Child Protective Services
- Patrol Officer
- Electronic Monitoring Officer
- Homeland Security Officer
- Juvenile Detention Officer
- Retail Loss Prevention



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Most federal programs, forensic crime labs, crime scene investigators, and probation officer positions require a bachelor's degree. Each transfer institution 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.

Program overview

Graduates are prepared to perform the basic duties and tasks associated with entry-level positions in criminal justice and corrections and/or continue their education. The program introduces students to careers in law enforcement and/or corrections and equips them with both the skills and knowledge needed to ensure careers and/or additional education.

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 criminal investigations, supervision, 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.

Special Program Requirement:

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.



General Education Requirements:

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

Course #	Course Title	Credit hrs
ENGL1010	Composition I	4.5
SPCH1090	Fundamentals of Human Communication	4.5
MATH1050	Thinking Mathematically OR higher	4.5
SOCI1020	Diversity in Society	4.5
One class from one of these areas: Science, Computer Technology or Humanities		4.5
		22.5 hours

Criminal Justice Core Courses:

Criminal Justice Courses --64 credit hours (all classes are required in this section)

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
CRIM1000	Criminal Justice Seminar I	1.0
CRIM1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4.5
CRIM1020	Introduction to Corrections	4.5
CRIM1030	Courts and the Judicial Process	4.5
CRIM2000	Criminal Law	4.5
CRIM2030	Police & Society	4.5
CRIM2080	Criminal Procedures	4.5
CRIM2100	Juvenile Justice	4.5
CRIM2200	Criminology	4.5
CRIM2240	Ethics in Criminal Justice	4.5
CRIM2265	Criminal Investigation I	4.5
CRIM2270	Criminal Investigation II	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
		64.0 hours

ADVISOR APPROVED ELECTIVES-

9 credit hours

Any Criminal Justice course not listed above OR
Any advisor approved elective



To determine overall costs, students should plan a budget that includes room, meals, clothing, laundry, medical care, recreation and entertainment, transportation, insurance, etc.

Nebraska Resident tuition rate is \$65.50 per credit hour. Out-of-state tuition rate is \$79.50 per credit hour.

Student fee is \$2 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.

Estimated Expenses

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/qr	
Tuition & Fees	\$911
Books	\$650
Average per Quarter:	\$1,561
Total Estimate (8 qtrs.)	\$12,488