

Criminal Justice

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION



The Criminal Justice (CRJ) program is designed to provide a solid foundational understanding of the American justice system. Students are required to complete a range of major courses that blend academic learning with a highly emphasized experiential focus. Under the instruction of a diverse faculty of practicing professionals, hands-on learning exercises are utilized to translate conceptual

awareness into real world application of knowledge. Individual and team-based classroom learning is also augmented by internship opportunities in area agencies and offices. The program is designed to meet the needs of both traditional and non-traditional students who seek to gain the education necessary to penetrate or advance within any number of justice professions.

Graduates of the CRJ program will be well-positioned to:

- Complete a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice at a four-year college or university.
- Apply to the Maine Criminal Justice Academy (MCJA) Law Enforcement Pre-Service Training Program OR Basic Law Enforcement Training Program.
- Seek entry-level employment in private security, law enforcement, corrections, and the courts.

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Graduates of the Criminal Justice program will be prepared to:

- Explain the core responsibilities of the police, courts, and corrections as each relates to the administration of justice within the American criminal justice system.
- Describe the sequential movement of an individual accused of a crime through the various stages of investigation, adjudication, sentencing, and corrections.
- Compare and contrast the adult and juvenile justice systems in modern American corrections.
- Apply conceptual knowledge to the application of laws of evidence, search and seizure, and arrest.
- Utilize current information and management tools to gather and evaluate data used by justice practitioners.
- Analyze and employ ethically driven critical analysis skills in decision-making.

Examples of professional career opportunities include but are not limited to:

Municipal Police Officer	Marine Patrol Officer	Dispatcher
County Sheriff's Deputy	Fire Marshal	Victim-Witness Advocate
State Trooper	Corrections Officer	Loss Prevention Worker
Game Warden	Probation Officer	Fraud Investigator

PREREQUISITE

AAS Degree-high school level Algebra I required.



Programs of Study

Automotive
Building Construction
Business Management-Career Option
Business Management-Transfer Option
Business Management-Small Business
Career Studies
Computer Systems Technology
Criminal Justice
Culinary Arts
Diesel, Truck & Heavy Equipment
Digital Graphic Design
Early Childhood Education
Education-Career & Technical Ed
Education-Elementary Ed
Education-Secondary Ed
Electrical and Automation
Electricians Technology
Emergency Medical Services
Fine Woodworking & Cabinet Making
Fire Science
Human Services
Liberal Studies
Medical Assistant
Medical Office-Coding Option
Medical Office-Health Care Secretary
Medical Radiography
Nursing
Outdoor Recreation & Tourism
Plumbing
Refrigeration, Air Conditioning & Heating
Restaurant & Food Service Management
Surgical Technology
Trade & Technical Occupations
Welding

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Associate in Applied Science Degree

FIRST SEMESTER

CRJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
BCA 115 Introduction to Computer Applications	3
ENG 101 College Composition	3
MAT 119 College Algebra	3
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3

SECOND SEMESTER

CRJ 113 Criminology	3
CRJ 121 Criminal Law	3
CRJ 131 Police Operations	3
ENG 215 Business and Technical Writing	3
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3

THIRD SEMESTER

CRJ 205 Criminal Investigations	3
CRJ 232 Report Writing and Testifying	3
CRJ 242 Criminal Procedure	3
PSY 235 Abnormal Psychology	3
SPE 101 Oral Communication	3

FOURTH SEMESTER

CRJ 201 Ethics for the CJ Practitioner	3
CRJ 221 American Corrections	3
CRJ 226 Criminalistics	3
Restricted Elective: Any Criminal Justice Elective (200 level or higher)	3
Elective CHE103 Chemistry for Emergency Responders <u>or</u> BIO121 Anatomy & Physiology I <u>and</u> BIO 124 Anatomy & Physiology Lab	3-4

TOTAL AAS DEGREE CREDITS **60-61**

*CRJ Elective options

Arrest and Control Techniques	Terrorism
Serial Homicide	Psychology of Cults
Computer Crimes	Criminal Profiling

IMPORTANT NOTE: EMCC does not currently conduct criminal background screening for applicants to Criminal Justice; however, individuals who have engaged in certain criminal activity could be denied access to gainful employment in their intended field. Prior convictions for Class D misdemeanors and felony offenses, including those involving drug-related charges and domestic violence, can potentially limit or prevent access to employment opportunities in the justice professions. Those students seeking admission into the Criminal Justice program are strongly encouraged to seek clarification from the Director of Admissions prior to submitting an application.



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EMCC's Student Success Center offers tutoring services free of charge to our students.

EMCC's Athletic Department sponsors many on-campus intramural sports and recreational events.



EMCC students enjoy small class sizes, supportive faculty, transferable courses and leadership/engagement opportunities all for under \$4,000 per year

(most programs, based on 30 credit hours, in-state rate)

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