

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: FORENSIC INVESTIGATIONS

HEGIS: 5505
SUNY CODE: 1329

Forensic Investigations provides a unique alternative to traditional criminal justice programs and is designed to develop occupational competence for entry into public law enforcement and/or private investigative fields. Graduates are prepared to:

- Locate, document and collect physical evidence at a crime scene
- Insure the chain of custody is maintained
- Properly mark all evidence prior to collection and account for it at all times until the crime is solved

Career Opportunities/Transfer Information

Graduates find employment in entry level positions in public and private investigative agencies and companies. Projected annual statewide job openings through 2008 are 300 new jobs and 1,120 replacement jobs. While not designed as a transfer program, graduates may go on to colleges and universities such as SUNY College of Technology at Canton, John Jay College, SUC at Buffalo, SUNY at Albany, SUC at Oneonta, SUC at Plattsburgh, SUC at Brockport and Utica College.

		1st Year				
1st Semester		Credits		2nd Semester	Credits	
CJ 120	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3		CJ 124	Criminal Procedure Law	3
CJ 123	Criminal Substantive Law	3		EN 112	English II	3
EN 111	English I	3		EN 171	Introduction to Technical Writing	3
FS 100	Freshman Seminar	1		SS 136	Criminology	3
SS 151	Introductory Psychology	3			Mathematics Elective**	3
SS 161	Introductory Sociology	3			Physical Education Activity	1
	Total	<u>16</u>			Total	<u>16</u>

		2nd Year				
3rd Semester		Credits		4th Semester	Credits	
CJ 125	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3		CJ 126	Issues in Law Enforcement	3
CJ 141	Police Organization & Management	3		CJ 271	Criminal Justice Practicum OR	
CJ 142	Criminal Investigation OR			CJ 272	Practicum in Private Security OR	
CJ 143	Criminal Investigations for Police Officers***	3-4			Criminal Justice Elective OR	
SC 150	Forensic Science I	4			Social Science Elective****	3
SS 122	American History II OR			HU 150	Ethics and Criminal Justice	1
SS 141	American Government	3		HU 242	Forensic Photography	3
	Physical Education Activity	1		IS 115	Computer Software Applications I	3
	Total	<u>17-18</u>		SS 225	Terrorism and Homeland Security	3
					Total	<u>16</u>

*66-67 Credits Required
for the
Associate in Applied Science Degree*

Students should consult with their academic advisor for appropriate course selections.

*This elective may not be a CJ class.

**Must be MA 124 or MA 127.

***The four-credit course is for certified police only.

****Recommended Social Science electives include SS 136, SS 141, SS 151, SS 152, SS 155, SS 162, SS 167, SS 210, SS 225 and SS 241.

Prerequisites for CJ 271, Criminal Justice Practicum or CJ 272, Practicum in Private Security:

1. Student must have completed basic core CJ courses: CJ 120, CJ 123, CJ 124, CJ 210.
2. Student must have completed or be enrolled in HU 150.
3. Student's CJ GPA in above courses must be 2.3 or above.
4. Student's overall GPA must be 2.0 or above.
5. Student must obtain permission of instructor.

For more information, contact the Social Science Division at (315) 866-0300 or toll free 1-888-GO-4-HCCC, ext. 8430.