

**Academic Certificate**

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Justice Studies/Criminal Justice

**Curriculum Code: JS.CJ.AC**

**Program Information**

Law enforcement and corrections are among the fastest growing career fields in America, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. A range of job opportunities awaits graduates as America becomes a more security-conscious society.

**When You Graduate**

Certificate programs provide specific career skills development as well as the opportunity to test an area of interest, or enhance a degree program. Students who complete a certificate program can continue to obtain a degree.

This program is designed for students who wish to enter a specific criminal justice field.

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Program Requirements (29 credits) Credits

**Year 1, Fall Semester**

<input type="checkbox"/> CS 101 Introduction to Microcomputers or CS 102 Applications on the Microcomputer	3
<input type="checkbox"/> EN 101 English Composition I	3
<input type="checkbox"/> PA 101 Public Administration	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CS 110 Technology Literacy	2
<input type="checkbox"/> CJ 207 Administration of Justice	<u>3</u>
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**Year 1, Spring Semester**

<input type="checkbox"/> PY 101 General Psychology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SO 201 Introductory Sociology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CJ 102 Criminology & Penology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CJ 104 Criminal law	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CJ 115 Diversity Issues in Criminal Justice	<u>3</u>
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**Total Credits 29**

**Upon completion of this program, students should be able to:**

- Discuss the history and philosophy of the components of the criminal justice system.
- Describe the formal and informal political and community structures that affect criminal justice agencies.
- Recognize the roles of various criminal justice professionals.
- Describe the fundamental concepts and principles of management and administration employed in various police agencies.

**Employment Opportunities**

Police officer, crime scene investigator, private investigator.

**Gainful Employment Link**

[www.cccnj.edu/gainfulemployment](http://www.cccnj.edu/gainfulemployment)