

Law Enforcement Services/Criminal Investigations Course Schedule

Introduction to Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security – 2 semesters.

Introduction to Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security (LPSCS) is the first course in the pathway. This course provides students with career-focused educational opportunities in various LPSCS fields. It examines the basic concepts of law related to citizens' rights and the responsibilities, and students will receive instruction in critical skill areas including: communicating with diverse groups, conflict resolution, ethics, CERT (Citizens Emergency Response Training, or similar program), basic firefighting, report writing, terrorism, civil and criminal law.

Criminal Justice Essentials – 2 semesters.

Prerequisite: Introduction to Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

Criminal Justice Essentials is the second course in the pathway. In this course, students will become immersed in criminal and constitutional law, and will review basic law enforcement skills. The course ends with a mock trial to provide participants with a first-hand experience of the criminal justice system. The course has elements which cover tactics, methods, and skills utilized by law enforcement

Criminal Investigations – 2 semesters.

Prerequisite: Introduction to Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security & Criminal Justice Essentials

This course is designed to provide students with an opportunity to explore the basic processes and principles of a criminal investigation. Students will learn the legal responsibilities and challenges of the patrol officer, investigator, and crime scene technician at a crime scene. Students will learn the importance of preserving and documenting the crime scene along with the identification, collection, and processing of evidence and the contribution to the criminal investigation.