



A DUAL ENROLLMENT CAREER PATHWAY FOR

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY

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## About the Program

- The TCTC Criminal Justice program prepares students for careers in law enforcement and beyond. Classroom training and field experiences also train you for careers in corrections and detention centers; communications and dispatch; victim and witness advocacy; court clerkships; pardon, probation and parole; loss prevention; and the fast-growing area of private security.
- Build a competitive and marketable resume for positions in the criminal justice system, including law enforcement, courts, and corrections.
- Characteristics of a successful CRJ student include caring nature, compassionate, reasonable, and articulate. Students must seek to make their communities a safer place for all.

## About the Pathway

- Earn 12 hours of college credit that you can use toward an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice Technology. Additional college credit may be earned through Technical Advanced Placement (TAP).
- Students may also specialize in the following disciplines: Law Enforcement Operations, Loss Prevention and Security, or Paralegal Studies. Upon entry to Tri-County after high school, please see your advisor for these pathways.
- Take your dual enrollment classes at a TCTC Campus alongside college students or at a college site in your district.

## Criminal Justice Technology CAREER PATHWAY

### IN HIGH SCHOOL

12<sup>th</sup> Grade:

1<sup>st</sup> Semester

- ENG 101 • MAT 155 or MAT 120\*

2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

- SPC 205 • PSY 201

\*If you plan to continue education beyond Associate Degree

TAP credit available for CRJ 120 (Program Elective) with successful completion of TAP exam.

(please see course descriptions on back)

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION + 12 HOURS OF COLLEGE CREDIT**

### AFTER HIGH SCHOOL CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

FALL			
• CRJ 101	• CRJ 115	• CRJ125	• CRJ 222

SPRING			
• CRJ 116	• CRJ 224	• CRJ 242	• Humanities

SUMMER		
• CRJ 140	• CRJ 230	• Program Elective

FALL			
• SFT 109	• CRJ 150	• PSC 201 or SOC101	• Program Elective

SPRING		
• CRJ 236	• CRJ 260	• PSY 207

SC Mean Annual Wages  
**\$46,341-\$59,222**

### AFTER TCTC GRADUATION

Transfer Opportunities with 4-year universities

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Anderson University

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Columbia College

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCES DEGREE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDIES

Southern Wesleyan University

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCES DEGREE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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# CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Criminal Justice majors acquire the knowledge and skills needed to become working professionals in the very diverse criminal justice system, including law enforcement, security, court support, corrections, and many other human service positions.

## CRJ 101 - INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course includes an overview of the functions and responsibilities of agencies involved in the administration of justice to include police organizations, court systems, correctional systems, and juvenile justice agencies.

## CRJ 115 - CRIMINAL LAW I

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course covers the development of criminal law in America. The basic elements of specific criminal offenses, criminal defenses, and various legal principles upon which criminal law is established are reviewed.

## CRJ 116 - CRIMINAL LAW II

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course includes a study of criminal procedures and analyzes, from the legal perspective, the process from arrest to sentencing.

## CRJ 125 - CRIMINOLOGY

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the various theories of crime causation and control, the identification of criminal typologies, and the reaction of society to crime and criminals.

## CRJ 140 - CRIMINAL JUSTICE REPORT WRITING

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the proper preparation and retention of criminal justice records and reports, including observational skills, formatting, and the value of accurate, complete, and selective written articulation of information and observations.

## CRJ 150 - INTERVIEWING AND COUNSELING

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the basic elements of human relationships in order to provide techniques for interviewing and conducting individual therapy. Small group dynamics and interview counseling sessions are examined as information gathering methods. Particular emphasis is placed on interpersonal relationships and the development of communication skills.

## CRJ 222 - ETHICS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the application of ethical theories to the criminal justice profession.

## CRJ 224 - POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the importance of two-way communication between the criminal justice system and the community to foster a working relationship to control crime. A variety of topics are studied, including citizen involvement in crime prevention and police officer interpersonal relations.

## CRJ 230 - CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION I

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the fundamentals of interviewing witnesses and interrogating suspects. Different methods of conducting crime scene searches and methods used in investigating various crimes are studied in the course.

## CRJ 236 - CRIMINAL EVIDENCE

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the established rules of evidence from arrest to release in the administration of criminal justice.

## CRJ 242 - CORRECTIONAL SYSTEMS

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is an introduction to aspects of the correctional function in criminal justice, including organization, process, procedure, and clients incarcerated and on conditional release.

## CRJ 260 - SEMINAR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course includes a study of new trends in criminal justice. This capstone course explores contemporary criminal justice perspectives and theoretical approaches to the study and understanding of the criminal justice system.

Prerequisites: CRJ 101, CRJ 116 or LEG 231, and CRJ 125.

## ENG 101 - ENGLISH COMPOSITION I

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This is a (college transfer) course in which the following topics are presented: a study of composition in conjunction with appropriate literary selections, with frequent theme assignments to reinforce effective writing. A review of standard usage and the basic techniques of research are also presented.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory COMPASS placement scores in both Reading and Writing.

## MAT 120 - PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course includes the following topics: introductory probability and statistics, including organization of data; sample space concepts; random variables; counting problems; binomial and normal distributions; central limit theorem; confidence intervals and test hypothesis for large and small samples; types I and II errors; linear regression and correlation.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory math placement score; or MAT 102 with a grade of C or higher, or MAT 101 with a grade of A and a satisfactory reading placement score or RDG 100 with a grade of "C" or higher or ENG 101 or ENG 103 with a grade of "C" or higher.

## MAT 155 - CONTEMPORARY MATHEMATICS

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

The course includes techniques and applications of the following topics: properties of and operations with real numbers, elementary algebra, consumer mathematics, applied geometry, measurements, graph sketching and interpretations, and descriptive statistics.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory math placement score or MAT 032 with a grade of C or higher.

Note: This course cannot be used for an AA or AS degree.

## PSC 201 - AMERICAN GOVERNMENT

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of national governmental institutions with emphasis on the constitution, the functions of executive, legislative and judicial branches, civil liberties, and the role of the electorate.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory reading and writing placement scores for ENG 101 or completion of ENG 100, ENG 101, ENG 103 or ENG 155 with a grade of C or better.

## PSY 201 - GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course includes the following topics and concepts in the science of behavior: scientific method, biological bases for behavior, perception, motivation, learning memory, development, personality, abnormal behavior, therapeutic techniques, and social psychology.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory reading and English placement scores for ENG 101; or satisfactory English scores for ENG 101 and completion of RDG 100 with a grade of "C" or higher; or completion of ENG 100, ENG 101, ENG 103 or ENG 155 with a grade of "C" or higher. BIO 101 strongly recommended.

## PSY 207 - FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is an introduction to psychological knowledge, concepts, and principles of forensic psychology. Topics include the application of research, procedures, and techniques to specific areas of law and the legal system as they relate to general psychological principles and methods.

Prerequisites: PSY 201 with a grade of C or better.

## SFT 109 - LIFETIME FITNESS AND WELLNESS

Class Hours: 2 Lab Hours: 3 Credit Hours: 3

This course is a study of the foundation of the fitness/wellness series and introduces students to the theory and principles upon which the concepts of lifetime fitness and wellness are based.

## SOC 101 - INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course emphasizes the fundamental concepts and principles of sociology, including culture, socialization, interaction, social groups and stratification, effects of population growth, and technology in society and social institutions.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory reading and writing placement scores for ENG 101 or completion of ENG 100, ENG 101, ENG 103 or ENG 155 with a grade of C or better.

## SPC 205 - PUBLIC SPEAKING

Class Hours: 3 Lab Hours: 0 Credit Hours: 3

This course is an introduction to principles of public speaking with application of speaking skills.

Prerequisites: ENG 101, ENG 103, ENG 155, or ENG 156 with a grade of "C" or higher.

