



Criminal Justice

Course Description

The Criminal Justice Program is designed to provide students with basic skills and technical knowledge needed to further their development within this dynamic field of study. Today's society demands that those involved in administration of justice are highly trained in all aspects of the field. Specific areas of training will be provided in criminal law and investigation, security training, communications, emergency response, crimes, search and seizures, arrests, crime prevention, court procedure, and police operations. The program is structured to give students a strong academic background with the skills and knowledge necessary to meet the needs of a career in any of the cited fields. In addition, experts from various agencies provide in-depth information and experiences.

Curriculum

Court Proceedings • Criminal Investigations • Custody Procedures
Defensive Tactics • Emergency Procedures • Firearms Training
Guest Speakers from Local, State, and Federal Law Enforcement
Agencies • Juvenile Justice System • Patrol Procedures • Physical
Training • Police Operations • Procedural Law • Search and Seizure
Theories of Criminal Behavior • Traffic Control • Use of Force

Prerequisites

A minimum grade point average of 2.0 • Capability of performing
in a physical training and defensive tactics program • Genuine
interest in pursuing a career in the Criminal Justice field • Parental
permission prior to specific activities • Purchase and wear a law
enforcement uniform on selected days

Articulation Agreements

Each student taking Criminal Justice I and earning a grade of "B"
or better will obtain (3) credits in Administration of Justice at
Northern Virginia Community College.

Colleges/Universities

Academy graduates interested in Criminal Justice can continue
their studies at a large variety of schools including: Allegany
College • Averett University • Bowie State University • Longwood
University • Marymount University • Northern Virginia Community
College • Piedmont Virginia Community College • Radford
University • Shenandoah University • Virginia Commonwealth
University

Careers

The study of Criminal Justice may lead to these careers:
Corrections Officer • Correctional Technician • Deputy Sheriff
Federal Law Enforcement Agent • Federal/State Inspector
Hotel/Retail/Business Industrial Security Staff • Police Dispatcher
Police Officer • Private Investigator Security Guard • State
Investigator

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