

FORENSIC TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE AND CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT



Students planning careers in Administration of Justice may elect a program from the four options that follow: Law Enforcement, Corrections, Forensic Technology or Security Management. The programs are designed to meet lower division university transfer, job entry, or promotion requirements, depending on student need.

Students seeking employment with local, state or federal law enforcement agencies specialize in Law Enforcement. Students seeking careers in a jail or prison system, parole, probation or certain aspects of social work may specialize in Corrections. Students who desire a career in scientific criminal investigation and in crime laboratories may specialize in Forensic Technology. Students interested in government, homeland defense, or corporate security, should pursue the Security Management area of emphasis.

The Administration of Justice Department also offers a Police Academy, Corrections Academy, Security Academy, and Public Safety Dispatch course.

Career Opportunities

<https://www.grossmont.edu/student-support/career-center/resources.php>

- Adjudicator/Judge¹
- Arson Investigator
- Bar Examiner¹
- Correctional Officer
- Crime Lab/Forensic Technician
- Dispatcher
- District Attorney¹
- Lawyer/Prosecutor/Public Defender¹
- Evidence Technician/Specialist
- Federal Law Enforcement¹
 - Border Patrol Agent¹
 - FBI¹
 - Immigration and Customs Enforcement
 - Postal Inspector
 - Transportation Security Administration Officer
 - Treasury Agent¹
 - Secret Service¹
 - U.S. Marshall¹
- Fingerprint Examiner
- Forensic Scientist¹
- Forensic Specialist

- Fraud/Forgery Investigator
- Latent Print Examiner
- Parole/Probation Officer
- Police Officer/Deputy Sheriff/Highway Patrol
- Security Director*
- Security Manager
- Security Officer
- Traffic Officer

¹ Bachelor's Degree or higher is usually required.

The Program-level Student Learning Outcomes (PSLOs) below are outcomes that students will achieve after completing specific degree / certificate requirements in this program. Students will:

1. Demonstrate knowledge, skills, and abilities relevant to the AOJ certificate / degree program completed.
2. Demonstrate ethical and professional behavior.
3. Communicate effectively, in written, verbal and non-verbal forms.
4. Identify the major components of the criminal justice system, current and historical, including laws enforcement, courts and corrections.
5. Describe and/or demonstrate the stages of a criminal investigation and the protocol of evidence collection, preservation, and analysis.

Associate Degree Major Requirements

Note: All courses must be completed with a letter grade of "C" or higher or "Pass."

Code	Title	Units
AOJ-110	Introduction to Administration of Justice	3
AOJ-148	Fingerprint Identification	3
AOJ-150	Forensic Photography	4
AOJ-200	Criminal Law	3
AOJ-206	Criminal Investigation	3
AOJ-218	Crime Scene Technology	4
AOJ-220	Forensic Analysis	4
AOJ-240	Community and the Justice System	3
AOJ-252	Advanced Forensic Photography	4
AOJ-254	Advanced Fingerprint Identification	3
BIO-120	Principles of Biology	4
Select one of the following:		4
CHEM-113	Forensic Chemistry	
CHEM-115	Fundamentals of Chemistry	
CHEM-120	Preparation for General Chemistry	

Total Units **42**

Plus General Education (<https://catalog.gcccd.edu/grossmont/admission-information/general-education-transfer/>) and Elective Requirements

Recommended Electives

Code	Title	Units
AOJ-224	Forensic Public Service Internship	2

Certificate of Achievement

Any student who chooses to complete only the courses required for the above major qualifies for a Certificate of Achievement in Administration of Justice: Forensics Technology. An official request must be filed with the Admissions and Records Office prior to the deadline as stated in the Academic Calendar.