

# LAW ENFORCEMENT 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/Judge<sup>1</sup>
- Arson Investigator
- Bar Examiner<sup>1</sup>
- Correctional Officer
- Crime Lab/Forensic Technician
- Dispatcher
- District Attorney<sup>1</sup>
- Lawyer/Prosecutor/Public Defender<sup>1</sup>
- Evidence Technician/Specialist
- Federal Law Enforcement<sup>1</sup>
  - Border Patrol Agent<sup>1</sup>
  - FBI<sup>1</sup>
  - Immigration and Customs Enforcement
  - Postal Inspector
  - Transportation Security Administration Officer
  - Treasury Agent<sup>1</sup>
  - Secret Service<sup>1</sup>
  - U.S. Marshall<sup>1</sup>
- Fingerprint Examiner
- Forensic Scientist<sup>1</sup>
- 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

<sup>1</sup> 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-200	Criminal Law	3
AOJ-202	Criminal Evidence	3
AOJ-204	Criminal Trial Process	3
AOJ-230	Public Safety Communications	3
AOJ-240	Community and the Justice System	3
Select twelve (12) additional units from the following:		12
AOJ-120	Community Policing and Patrol Procedure	
AOJ-122	Traffic Law and Enforcement	
AOJ-143	Gangs and Law Enforcement	
AOJ-144	Probation and Parole	
AOJ-155	Digital Investigations	
AOJ-206	Criminal Investigation	
AOJ-208	Juvenile Procedures	
AOJ-210	Leadership in Criminal Justice	
AOJ-214	Public Service Internship	
AOJ-215	Public Service Internship	
AOJ-264	Terrorism and Homeland Security	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>30</b>

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

## **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: Law Enforcement. An official request must be filed with the Admissions and Records Office prior to the deadline as stated in the Academic Calendar.