

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY

Florissant Valley, Forest Park, Meramec, Wildwood, and Online

The Criminal Justice Certificate of Proficiency prepares students for employment and advancement in an entry-level career in law enforcement, the courts, and corrections. This program is designed for students who want to enhance their skills and competencies in professional criminal justice roles. Students will acquire a fundamental knowledge in legal procedures, strong written skills, and a basic understanding of the government process.

At the completion of the program, students are expected to:

1. identify the major components of the criminal justice system.
2. explain legal concepts, terminology, and evidentiary rules and constitutional limitations to which criminal justice professionals must adhere when practicing within the field.
3. explain the functions of law enforcement, corrections, and the courts.
4. analyze crime-related issues in the community.
5. propose ethical and legal solutions to crime-related issues in the community.
6. complete clear and concise written documentation in the performance of their duties as criminal justice professionals.
7. distinguish the overlapping roles of law enforcement agencies, the criminal and juvenile court systems, and correctional facilities.

8. identify the theories of crime and deviance, rehabilitation, and punishment.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
CRJ 122	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJ 101	American Correctional System	3
CRJ 129	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
CRJ 123	Juvenile Justice	3
CRJ 124	Criminal Law and Procedures	3
CRJ 212	Criminal Investigation	3
ENG 101	College Composition I (MOTR ENGL 100)	3
CRJ 206 or SOC 203	Management of Human Conflicts Crime and Society	3
PHL 104	Ethics (MOTR PHIL 102)	3
Select one of the following:		3
HST 101	United States History to 1865 (MOTR HIST 101)	
HST 102	United States History from 1865 to the Present (MOTR HIST 102)	
PSC 101	Introduction to American Politics (MOTR POSC 101)	
Total Credit Hours		30

PLEASE NOTE: If you originally enrolled at STLCC prior to Fall 2021, you may need to view an archived catalog (<https://www.stlcc.edu/programs-academics/course-catalog/>) for your correct program requirements. Please speak with an advisor or the program coordinator for more information.

Code	Title	Hours	Prerequisites	Milestones/Notes
First Year				
Fall				
CRJ 122	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	Reading Proficiency	
CRJ 101	American Correctional System	3	Reading Proficiency	
CRJ 129	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3	Reading Proficiency	
ENG 101	College Composition I (MOTR ENGL 100)	3	Placement score or ENG 030 or ENG 070 with a grade of "C" or better or recommendation of department and Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
HST 101 or 102 or PSC 101	United States History to 1865 (MOTR HIST 101) or United States History from 1865 to the Present (MOTR HIST 102) or Introduction to American Politics (MOTR POSC 101)	3	Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
	Credit Hours	15		
Spring				
CRJ 123	Juvenile Justice	3	Reading Proficiency	
CRJ 124	Criminal Law and Procedures	3	Reading Proficiency	
CRJ 206 or SOC 203	Management of Human Conflicts or Crime and Society	3	Reading Proficiency	

CRJ 212	Criminal Investigation	3	Reading Proficiency	
PHL 104	Ethics (MOTR PHIL 102)	3	Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
	Credit Hours	15		
	Total Credit Hours	30		

*Click on the hyperlinked course number to view additional information about the course.

**Students completing a course that has been assigned a MOTR number may transfer that course to any public institution in Missouri. Those who complete CORE 42 requirements will have that verification on their transcript.

*** It is your responsibility to verify that the courses listed above will transfer to the four-year institution of your choice. Maximize your transfer credits/classes by meeting with an academic advisor.