

CORRECTIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Program Description

The Correctional Law Enforcement Technical Certificate provides students the opportunity to complete coursework appropriate for employment in various positions in the field of corrections. In addition to core courses, students receive in-depth training in ethical considerations for correctional law enforcement officers. The program was developed in cooperation with the Arkansas Department of Corrections in an effort to fill hundreds of vacant positions in the correctional industry in Arkansas.

Students will learn the historic and present day role of correctional entities in the state and the nation. They will be instructed in the importance of ethics, safety, and security procedures in correctional facilities and the dynamics of correctional inmates and offenders. Coursework in correctional inmate cultures and offender management help prepare students for specialized and supervisory positions. The program includes supervised visits to correctional facilities and lab experiences to simulate realistic situations. The Correctional Law Enforcement program can lead to a certificate of proficiency, a technical certificate, and an Associate of Applied Science in General Technology degree. Some courses will apply to other associate and bachelor level degrees.

Student Learning Outcomes

Successful completers of this program will be able to:

- understand the historic and present day role of correctional entities in the state and the nation.
- understand the importance of ethics, safety, and security procedures in correctional facilities.
- understand the dynamics of correctional inmates and offenders.
- apply these concepts for successful employment in the field of corrections.

The program length for a full-time student in Correctional Law Enforcement is two (2) semesters. The program costs are approximately \$2,628 for tuition and fees and approximately \$928 for books and supplies.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

(Suggested Schedule)

<u>1st Semester</u>			Credit Hours
CJ	1013	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ	2133	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
CLE	1032	Tech Correctional Health and Safety	2
CLE	1053	Tech Correctional Enforcement in Arkansas	3
CLE	1043	Tech Correctional Security and Control	3
BUS	2003	Tech Business English (or higher-level composition course)	3
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<u>2nd Semester</u>			
CJ	2123	Corrections	3
CLE	2023	Tech Survey of Correctional Inmates and Offenders	3
CLE	2012	Tech Applied Ethics for Correctional Officers	2
MAT	1203	Technical Math or higher-level mathematics course	3
CFA	1103	Tech Computer Fundamentals (or higher-level computer course)	3
PSY	1013	Introduction to Psychology OR	3
		SOC 2213 Introduction to Sociology	
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