

Criminal Justice Academy
AATECH Course Descriptions

Computer Applications CSIT 120 (*Prerequisite for all AATECH courses*): Hands-on experience with microcomputers and microcomputer applications featuring the use of Windows, word processing, spreadsheet, database, and presentation graphics software.

Graphic Design ARTD 100: Design principles as they apply to graphic communication. Abstract and pictorial design for the printed media. Film and architectural signage. Lettering is applied as an abstract design element.

Business Management BMGT 105: Analysis of personal qualifications, forms of ownership, sources of information, financing, planning, legal problems, record keeping, advertising, insurance, sales promotions, credit, public relations, and current aids to successful management.

Criminal Justice I (*Requires concurrent enrollment in AJ 100 and AJ 197*)

Introduction to Criminal Justice AJ 100: A comprehensive overview of the American Criminal Justice System. History, theories, and philosophy of the three parts of the criminal justice system including law enforcement, courts, and corrections. Relevant sociological and economic issues, past and present, will be addressed.

Law Enforcement Procedures AJ 197: Explanations of search and seizure protocols, rules of evidence, laws of arrest, pre-and post-trial processes, and radio codes. Some work with police equipment and physical training. (*Includes 5 PE credits at the completion of the 44-week course.*)

Criminal Justice II (*Requires concurrent enrollment in AJ 65 and AJ 197*)

Preparation for Law Enforcement AJ 65: This course is designed to introduce the student to the history of police work, preparation for a career in law enforcement, an understanding of the various pre-employment examinations for law enforcement, the necessary job dimension skills as set forth by POST, and identification of ways to be successful in a Police Academy setting.

Pre-Employment Police Fitness AJ 197: A comprehensive overview of the importance of a lifestyle that promotes physical and mental well-being. The importance of fitness for law enforcement officers. The importance of nutrition in maintaining physical and mental well-being. Health problems related to law enforcement and how to lower the risks. Stress and proper stress management. (*Includes 5 PE credits at the completion of the 44-week course.*)

Crime Scene Investigation AJ 197: This course is designed to introduce to the student the various specialized disciplines that interface and integrate within the Criminal Justice System, including crime lab functions, forensic instrumentation, forensic photography, crime scene processing, drug analysis, hair and fiber analysis, and questioned documents.

Speech and Police Interview Skills AJ 197: This course is designed to give the student an understanding of both verbal and non-verbal communication, and how to communicate effectively as a police officer, even when communicating with people during stressful situations. This course also gives the student an understanding of the importance of proper note taking and the characteristics that are essential for a good police report.