

Public Service

Transfer Degree

Certificate

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Criminal Justice

The NIACC Criminal Justice curriculum was developed with the assistance of the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy and a local advisory committee of law enforcement officials as an articulated program. The curriculum meets requirements for those persons already employed by law enforcement agencies who wish to obtain further education for professional advancement.

Program graduates may obtain immediate employment with public or private agencies concerned with public safety, crime prevention, security, or the apprehension and rehabilitation of criminals. A person convicted of a crime may have limited job opportunities in some criminal justice careers.

Many program graduates choose to continue their education in the area of Criminal Justice by transferring to a four-year academic institution. Articulation agreements with these institutions allow for the credit for the program's classes to transfer to many four-year institutions.

Career Opportunities

Successful graduates can find job opportunities in the following occupational areas:

- Police Departments
- Highway Patrols
- Correctional Institutions
- Industry
- United States Government's Secret Service
- Court Systems
- Sheriff's Offices
- Narcotics Bureaus
- Crime Prevention Laboratories
- Private Investigation Services
- Immigration Service
- Border Patrol

For specific information contact the North Iowa Career Center or the Evening Dean.

A person considering employment with a public agency should check to determine the necessity of successfully passing psychological examinations, as well as meeting standards related to physical fitness and eyesight capabilities, as a prerequisite to such employment. The College assumes no responsibility for paying for such examinations.

Upon successful completion of an Associate in Arts Degree and the required courses, the graduate is awarded a NIACC Criminal Justice Certificate.

REQUIRED COURSES

- BIOL-101 Biological Principles. (3 s.h.*) OR
- PHYS-101 Intro to Physical Science (4-5 s.h.*) OR
- PHYS-110 Principles of Physics (4 s.h.*) OR
- CHEM-101 Introductory Chemistry (4 s.h.*) OR
- CHEM-110 General Chemistry I* 3-5 s.h.
- CRIM-101 Criminal Law I 3 s.h.
- CRIM-102 Criminal Law II 3 s.h.
- CRIM-105 Patrol Procedures 3 s.h.
- CRIM-106 Criminal Evidence 3 s.h.
- CRIM-107 Administration of Justice 3 s.h.
- CRIM-108 Criminal Investigation 3 s.h.
- ENGL-101 Composition & Speech I* 4 s.h.
- ENGL-102 Composition & Speech II* 4 s.h.
- Humanities Elective(s) 8 s.h.
- PHYE-117 First Aid and Personal Safety 1 s.h.
- POLS-101 Introduction to American Govt (3 s.h.*) OR
- POLS-102 American State/Local Govt* 3 s.h.
- PSYC-101 Introduction to Psychology* 3 s.h.
- Mathematics* 3-4 s.h.
- SOCS-101 Sociology* 3 s.h.
- SOCS-103 Social Problems (3 s.h.*) OR
- SOCS-112 Marriage & Family (3 s.h.*) OR
- PSYC-110 Developmental Psychology 3 s.h.

SUGGESTED COURSE

- SDEV-120 Cooperative Education Internship 1-5 s.h.

*General Education courses must total at least 40 semester hours to meet A.A. degree requirements. A minimum of 60 semester hours are needed for graduation.

During the 1998-99 school year, an articulation agreement was reached with the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. This agreement allows up to 15 hours of credit earned at the Academy to be awarded at NIACC.

Fire Science

The NIACC Fire Science curriculum was developed with the assistance of the Mason City Fire Department as an articulation program. The curriculum is intended for those persons already employed by fire departments who wish to obtain further education for professional advancement, as well as for those who desire advanced study in fire science. Courses are provided and scheduled as needed and may not follow a traditional two-year cycle. Please consult an academic advisor prior to registration.

Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate is awarded an Associate in Arts Degree and a NIACC Fire Science Certificate.

REQUIRED COURSES

EMSS-101 EMT-B: Part I	4 s.h.
EMSS-102 EMT-B: Part II	2 s.h.
FIRE-101 Fire Behavior and Investigation	4 s.h.
FIRE-102 Fire Protection Technology	4 s.h.
FIRE-103 Hazardous Material Technician	3 s.h.
FIRE-104 Incident Command System	1 s.h.
FIRE-105 Fire Instructor I	2 s.h.
	20 s.h.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Communications	8 s.h.
Humanities	8 s.h.
Social Sciences	8 s.h.
Natural Sciences	8 s.h.
Distributed Requirement	8 s.h.
	40 s.h.

General Education courses must total at least 40 semester hours to meet A.A. Degree requirements. A minimum of 60 semester hours are needed for graduation.

Career Opportunities

Graduates may obtain immediate employment with fire departments and perform duties as required. They may also choose to transfer to a senior institution for further study.

For specific information contact the North Iowa Career Center or the NIACC Industrial Division.