

COUNTY COLLEGE OF MORRIS

CRIMINAL JUSTICE JUSTICE STUDIES

Associate of Science



WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

The Criminal Justice-Justice Studies program provides students with a solid background in the criminal justice system plus a strong foundation in several types of law. CCM students study justice programs within the criminal, civil and family court systems plus how cases are investigated and prepared, negotiated and taken to court.

The Associate of Science (A.S.) degree program in Criminal Justice-Justice Studies is designed for students who seek to have a career in the legal profession. The curriculum provides a foundation in the law, litigation procedures and places a strong emphasis on legal ethics. Students are specifically trained to work with attorneys in preparation of legal cases and law office management. Graduates gain extensive knowledge in research, legal writing, preparing a case and litigation procedures and can put these skills to immediate use in their legal system career.

Some of our students join us right after high school, while others begin at CCM after taking a few years off or planning a career change. Many of our students in the Criminal Justice-Justice Studies program are studying to become paralegals or legal assistants. Some may move on to work in the judiciary system or other law-related careers. There are also graduates who complete this program as the first step in their path to law school.

WHY STUDY JUSTICE STUDIES AT CCM?

There are over two million attorneys in the United States and over 98,000 in New Jersey. Our state ranks sixth out of 51 judicial jurisdictions in the country. Morris County is home to the third highest number of attorneys in the state—over 3,000 attorneys in our county! This provides numerous employment opportunities for students during their studies and then after graduation.

The program is available on campus and online allowing students to study while still employed or caring for family members.

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CAREERS

The average base salary for a paralegal in New Jersey is \$55,813, according to Indeed.com. The average salary for a legal assistant in New Jersey is \$56,111, according to Salary.com.

- Attorney
- Case Manager
- Claims Examiner
- Clerk of the Court
- Court Investigator
- Court Staff Member
- Equal Opportunity Compliance Investigator
- Foreclosure Processor
- Human Relations Specialist
- Legal Assistant / Paralegal
- Legal Research Specialist
- Legislative Analyst
- Probation Officer
- Project Manager

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE CURRICULUM - 2951

General Education Foundation (31/33 CR)

COMMUNICATION (6 CR)

English Composition I	ENG 111	3
English Composition II	ENG 112	3

MATH/SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY (10/12 CR)

Computer Concepts with Applications	CMP 135	3
OR		
Computer Technology and Applications	CMP 126	4
Forensic Science	CHM 105	4
Mathematics Elective		3/4

GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVES (6 CR)

Speech Fundamentals	COM 109	3
Cultural Diversity in America - The Sociology of Ethnic and Minority Groups	SOC 214	3

SOCIAL SCIENCE (3 CR)

Principles of Sociology	SOC 120	3
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HUMANITIES (3 CR)

History of Minorities in US	HIS 203	3
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HUMANITIES OR SOCIAL SCIENCE (3 CR)

American Government	POL 111	3
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JUSTICE STUDIES CORE (29 CR)

Intro to Public Safety Career	CJS 105	2
Criminal Justice System	CJS 121	3
Criminal Law and Procedure	CJS 221	3
Jurisprudence: The Philosophy of Law	CJS 120	3
OR		
Public Safety Internship/Coop	CJS 228	3
OR		
Criminal Justice Elective*		
Fundamentals of Law	CJS 118	3
Ethics in the Law	CJS 230	3
Litigation Procedures	CJS 220	3
Business Law I	BUS 213	3
Constitutional Law	POL 222	3
Free Elective		3

TOTAL

60/62

Note: You must see a faculty advisor to plan your sequence of courses. For the most up-to-date listing of courses, see the Curriculum Checklist.

