

Law Enforcement

AWARDS

Law Enforcement Transfer Pathway A.S. Degree	68 cr
Law Enforcement Certificate	28-29 cr

LAW ENFORCEMENT TRANSFER PATHWAY A.S., 68 CREDITS

Law Enforcement Curriculum	16 cr
Professional Licensing Core	22 cr
Liberal Arts	30 cr

PURPOSE

This program is designed to prepare individuals for a career in law enforcement. Graduates are qualified to take the Minnesota Peace Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Board Licensing examination.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The following Inver Hills courses are part of the integrated Associate in Science (A.S.) degree offered by metro area community colleges. *Law Enforcement students must meet minimum selection standards under Minnesota Rule 6700.0700, Subpart 1., F. before they will be admitted into the IHCC Law Enforcement Professional Peace Officer Education (PPOE) Program.* According to Minnesota Rule, no student may be admitted to the PPOE who has been convicted of any of the crimes listed in MN Rules 6700.0700, Subp. 1., F.

The degree offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an Associate of Science degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated Law Enforcement bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities. The curriculum has been specifically designed so that students completing this pathway degree and transferring to one of the seven Minnesota State universities* enter the university with junior-year status. All courses in the Transfer Pathways associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field.

**Universities within the Minnesota State system include Bemidji State University; Metropolitan State University; Minnesota State University, Mankato; Minnesota State University Moorhead; Southwest Minnesota State University; St. Cloud State University; and Winona State University.*

TRANSFER PATHWAYS

With this transfer pathway, you will be able to transfer to the following majors:

Bemidji State University

Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement Emphasis - BS

Metropolitan State University

Law Enforcement - BS

Minnesota State University, Mankato

Law Enforcement - BS

Minnesota State University, Moorhead

Criminal Justice - BA

Southwest Minnesota State University

Law Enforcement Administration - BAS

St. Cloud State University

Criminal Justice, 21st Century Policing Emphasis - BA

Winona State University

Sociology: Criminal Justice - BS

Law Enforcement Curriculum **16 credits**

- CJS 1150 Intro to the Criminal Justice System¹ 3
- CJS 1152 Police and Community¹ 3
- CJS 1154 Juvenile Justice¹ 3
- CJS 2160 Criminal Justice and the Constitution 3
- EMS 1100 Emergency Medical Responder 3
- PHED 1127 Law Enforcement Physical Skills Training 1

Professional Licensing Core **22 credits**

Formal application and acceptance required prior to enrollment in the Professional Licensing Core. Second semester taken at a MN POST Board approved skills provider – separate application required after completion of prerequisite coursework.

First Semester (Academic, Theory Based Courses) 14 cr

- CJS 2225 Criminal Investigations 3
- CJS 2230 Legal Issues in Law Enforcement 3
- CJS 2231 Minnesota Criminal and Traffic Code 3
- CJS 2235 Report Writing and Interviewing 2
- CJS 2240 Police and Human Behavior 3

Second Semester (Practice, Skills Development) 8 cr

- CJS 2261 In Progress 2
- CJS 2275 Traffic and Driving School 1
- CJS 2280 Defensive Tactics 2
- CJS 2285 Crime Scene and Evidence 1
- CJS 2290 Firearms 2

Liberal Arts Curriculum **30 credits**

- ENG 1108 Writing and Research Skills¹ 4
- ENG 1111 Research Writing^{1,2} **OR**
ENG 1114 The Research Paper¹ **OR**
ENG 1130 Writing and Research for the Professions¹ 2-3
- COMM 1100 Interpersonal Communications 3
- MnTC Goal 3 (with lab) **OR** MnTC Goal 4 elective 3-4
- PSYC 1101¹, 1201¹, 1210¹, 1215^{1,2}, 1220^{1,2} **OR** 1230^{1,2} 3-4
- SOC 1100 Intro to Sociology¹ 4
- SOC 1127 Social Inequality: Race, Class and Gender¹ 3
- SOC 1130 Family and Society¹ 3
- PHIL 1112 Ethics 3
- Liberal Arts elective (MnTC courses only) 0-2

TOTAL CREDITS 68

¹ Required for admission to the Law Enforcement Professional Licensing Core. Each course must be completed with a minimum grade of C and a cumulative GPA of 2.50.

² If you choose these courses (ENG 1111, PSYC 1215, PSYC 1120, PSYC 1230), you will need 1-2 additional MnTC liberal arts elective credits.

RECOMMENDED FULL-TIME COURSE OF STUDY

Note: not all courses will be available every semester. For a complete list of Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) Goal Area course choices, please visit: inverhills.edu/MnTC

Semester 1 **15-16 credits**

- ENG 1108 Writing and Research Skills¹ (Goal 1, 2) 4
- SOC 1100 Intro to Sociology¹ 4
- CJS 1150 Intro to the Criminal Justice System¹ 3
- PSYC 1101¹, 1201¹, 1210¹, 1215^{1,2}, 1220^{1,2} **OR** 1230^{1,2} 3-4
- PHED 1127 Law Enforcement Physical Skills Training 1

Semester 2 **14-16 credits**

- ENG 1111 Research Writing (Goal 1) **OR**
ENG 1114 The Research Paper **OR**
ENG 1130 Writing & Research for the Professions 2-3
- COMM 1100 Interpersonal Communications (Goal 1, 7) 3
- CJS 1154 Juvenile Justice¹ 3
- SOC 1130 Family and Society¹ 3
- MnTC Goal 3 (with lab) **OR** MnTC Goal 4 elective 3-4

Semester 3 **15-18 credits**

- CJS 1152 Police and Community¹ 3
- PHIL 1112 Ethics 3
- SOC 1127 Social Inequality: Race, Class and Gender¹ 3
- CJS 2160 Criminal Justice and the Constitution 3
- EMS 1100 Emergency Medical Responder 3
- Liberal Arts elective (MnTC courses only) 0-3

Professional Licensing Core (acceptance required prior to enrollment)

Semester 4 **14 credits**

- CJS 2225 Criminal Investigations 3
- CJS 2230 Legal Issues in Law Enforcement 3
- CJS 2231 Minnesota Criminal and Traffic Code 3
- CJS 2240 Police and Human Behavior 3
- CJS 2235 Report Writing and Interviewing 2

Semester 5 **8 credits**

- CJS 2261 In Progress 2
- CJS 2275 Traffic and Driving School 1
- CJS 2280 Defensive Tactics 2
- CJS 2285 Crime Scene and Evidence 1
- CJS 2290 Firearms 2

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LAW ENFORCEMENT

CERTIFICATE, 28-29 CREDITS

PURPOSE

The Law Enforcement Curriculum Certification Program prepares individuals who have already completed a bachelor's degree or A.A./A.S. degree, in any discipline, for entry into the law enforcement profession in Minnesota. Completion of this program enables students to enroll in the Professional Licensing Core. Upon successful completion of the certificate program and the Professional Licensing Core, the student will be eligible to take the POST licensing examination, which is required to be hired as a police officer in Minnesota. State requirements to become a police officer include a college degree and a number of specific courses. For individuals already possessing a bachelor's or A.A./A.S. degree, the Law Enforcement Curriculum Certification Program provides the additional courses that will lead to the practical skills component, which then qualifies the person to take the POST licensing exam. The Inver Hills courses listed below are the required courses to be completed for the Professional Licensing Core. Completion of these courses can be accomplished either by acceptance of equivalent coursework completed elsewhere or by successful completion of the courses at Inver Hills. A minimum grade of C and a cumulative GPA of 2.50 must be earned in the required coursework.

Law Enforcement Curriculum	28-29 credits
<input type="checkbox"/> ENG 1108 Writing and Research Skills	4
<input type="checkbox"/> ENG 1111 Research Writing	2
<input type="checkbox"/> PSYC 1101, 1201, 1210, 1215, 1220, OR 1230.	3-4
<input type="checkbox"/> SOC 1100 Introduction to Sociology	4
<input type="checkbox"/> SOC 1127 Social Inequalities: Race, Class, and Gender	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SOC 1130 Family and Society	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CJS 1150 Intro to the Criminal Justice System	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CJS 1152 Police and Community	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CJS 1154 Juvenile Justice	3

TOTAL CREDITS 28-29



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