

The Career Certificate (C.C.) in Crossover from Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Officer prepares students who possess corrections officer certifications in the State of Florida with basic training for a career in law enforcement.

The program provides instruction based on the required curriculum established by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Standards and Training commission that represents a balance of theory and practice that prepares the student for employment. The program emphasizes police officer requirements including vehicle operations, patrol procedures, criminal investigation, police community relations and traffic control.

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Task                                             |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete an academic degree plan with your program advisor. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfy the career certificate graduation requirements.     |

## Career Options

You will attain the knowledge and skills needed to serve as a certified Florida law enforcement officer and sworn bailiff. **A Related Career Pathway** is the following: A.S. in Criminal Justice Technology.

**Note:** If you are considering employment in a state other than Florida, please visit <https://www.fscj.edu/academics/license-disclose> to determine if this program will meet the selected state's requirements to sit for licensure or certification testing.

## Application Procedure

**This is a Limited Access program.** Students must follow the application procedure outlined in the current College Catalog. Additional information is available in the program application, which may be accessed via <https://www.fscj.edu/5798>.

## Articulation

Upon successful completion of the program students may receive articulated College credit toward the Criminal Justice Technology (2239) (A.S.) degree.

## Advising

Email [law.enforcement@fscj.edu](mailto:law.enforcement@fscj.edu).

## Sample Roadmap

This roadmap provides general guidance about required courses for the Crossover from Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Officer Career Certificate program. For specific guidance about your individual academic degree plan, please see an advisor. Also refer to the College Catalog and class schedules for additional information. **This program is offered for part-time student enrollment.**

Students progress through this program in cohorts. The schedule and order of courses for each cohort will vary based on facility and faculty availability.

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Course: Course Title                                       | Contact Hours |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0002: Introduction to Law Enforcement                  | 12            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0016: Communication                                    | 24            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0018: Legal                                            | 64            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0019: Interviewing and Report Writing                  | 56            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0020: Law Enforcement Vehicle Operations               | 48            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0021: Serving Your Community                           | 34            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0063: Fundamentals of Patrol                           | 40            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0072: Crimes Against Persons                           | 48            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0073: Crimes Involving Property and Society            | 12            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0079: Crime Scene Follow-up Investigations             | 34            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0093: Critical Incidents                               | 44            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0393: Cross-Over Program Updates                       | 8             |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0400: Traffic Incidents                                | 12            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0401: Traffic Stops                                    | 24            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0402: Traffic Crash Investigations                     | 30            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0403: DUI Traffic Stops                                | 24            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CJK 0421: Conducted Electrical Weapon/Dart-Firing Stun Gun | 4             |

## Total Program Hours

Students considering a Career Certificate in Crossover from **Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Officer** should be aware that the program requires **518 contact/clock hours** that must be completed and documented. Students should also understand and accept the attendance requirements prior to enrolling in this career certificate program. This career certificate program **is not eligible** for financial aid.

## Important for You to Know

Upon completion of this program along with a passing score on the State Officer Certification Examination, students will obtain a Certificate of Law Enforcement valid throughout the state of Florida. For information about the Florida State Officer Examination, visit <https://www.fdle.state.fl.us/CJSTC/Exam/>. This is a basic certification; additional training will be required by the hiring agency.

**Record of Conviction of a Crime:** If the students enroll in an internship or cooperative education class and are seeking experience at a law enforcement agency or facility under Children and Family Services then a background check is performed by the law enforcement agency or facility, and the student may be denied employment (paid or non-paid) based on their criminal record.

## Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this program, students will be able to:

- Take the State Officer Certification Exam.
- Become eligible to be hired as a state, county, or municipal Law Enforcement Officer in Florida.