

# ASSOCIATE & BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR VERMONT POLICE ACADEMY PERSONNEL

## THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM



### COURSES

- Provides students with substantial knowledge on the nature and causes of crime and delinquency, law and the legal system for juveniles and adults in American society, and the decision making processes of criminal justice and related agencies.
- Develops critical thinking and communication skills and prepares students for careers in government, research, teaching, non-profit, or legal institutions.
- Provides a strong foundation for successful graduate study in criminal justice, criminology, public administration, and other programs.

■ Vermont law enforcement personnel who have graduated from the Vermont Police Academy and/or have relevant certified training may transfer at least 20 credits towards the Associate or Bachelor of Science degrees in Criminal Justice at the College of St. Joseph (see *Articulation of Transfer Credits* on reverse page). In addition to general education requirements, the courses that Academy graduates typical require to earn a degree in criminal justice include:

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| ■ Law and Society   | ■ Corrections          |
| ■ Victimology       | ■ Juvenile Justice     |
| ■ Criminology       | ■ Professional Writing |
| ■ CJ Administration | ■ Research Methods     |

### FACULTY



### LIFE EXPERIENCE HARVEST

- Knowledgeable educators who work closely with students to achieve academic goals.
- J.D.- and Ph.D.-level professors with extensive research and practitioner experience within public and private institutions.
- Experienced professionals in the fields of law enforcement, jurisprudence, corrections, probation and parole, and administration.

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

■ CSJ acknowledges the fact that not all meaningful learning experiences take place during formal educational activities. Accepted students who have attained significant experiential knowledge outside the normal scope of college or university instruction may petition the College for appropriate undergraduate academic credit through the *Harvest* program. Administrative fees for the first 12 credits are \$750 and \$40 for each credit thereafter. 45-credit limit.

■ In addition to the individual benefits of higher education, attaining an advanced degree can significantly improve career opportunities and long-term income potential. Law enforcement personnel may advance their career or pursue options in several other professional areas:

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| ■ Government      | ■ Corrections    | ■ Education        |
| ■ Social Services | ■ Legal Services | ■ Federal Agencies |

### TUITION, FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

■ The CSJ Financial Aid Office (802-776-5218) assists students in identifying and applying for financial aid (i.e., state and federal grant and loan programs, CSJ-based awards, employer programs, private institution/foundation awards). The 2008-09 full-time tuition is \$15,500 per year. Part-time tuition is \$250 per credit hour. Most students qualify for financial assistance during their attendance at CSJ.

■ The valedictorian from each VCJTC class will receive a \$1,500 annual scholarship and graduates with a final grade average of at least 97 percent will receive a \$1,000 annual scholarship for attending CSJ on a full-time basis (i.e., 12 credits per semester). In each case, enrollment and attendance must begin within 12 months of their VCJTC graduation date. 2003-07 VCJTC graduates with these distinctions will qualify for this scholarship if they apply and begin their attendance in the CSJ Criminal Justice Program by the Spring 2009 semester. Scholarships and other available financial aid (e.g., for community college graduates) are renewable to recipients who maintain a minimum 2.75 GPA at the College.



### CONTACT

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### WEBSITE

- [www.csj.edu/acad-criminaljustice.html](http://www.csj.edu/acad-criminaljustice.html)



# ARTICULATION OF TRANSFER CREDITS VERMONT POLICE ACADEMY & COLLEGE OF ST. JOSEPH BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEGREE



VT CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COUNCIL COURSES	COLLEGE OF ST. JOSEPH COURSES	CREDITS
Criminal Law Juvenile Law & Procedure Motor Vehicle Law Landlord & Tenant Law	Use of Vermont Statutes Alcohol Services Education & Alcohol Act Police Liability	CRJ 220 Criminal Law*
History & Principles of Policing DUI/DRE Enforcement Patrol Techniques Observation & Perception	Patrol Procedures Domestic Violence Hate Crimes Investigation Crime Prevention	CRJ 281 Policing in America
Interpersonal Communications Conflict Resolution Media/Police Relations	Report Writing Courtroom Demeanor Interview & Interrogation Techniques	CRJ 311 Interpersonal Skills in CJ
Non-Lethal Use of Force Oleoresin Capsicum Certification	Firearms Impact Weapons	CRJ 314 Defensive Tactics/Skills for CJ Practitioners (CRJ elective)
Sexual Harassment Cultural Diversity Police Ethics	Core Values & Leadership Training Teambuilding & Problem Solving Sexual Assault Investigation	CRJ 315 Criminal Justice Ethics & Professionalism (CRJ elective)
Field Experience	Community Policing	CRJ 320 Internship I in CRJ
Hazardous Materials Recognition Terrorism Blood borne Pathogens	Occupant Protection Usage & Enforcement C.P.R. First Aid	CRJ 340 Emergency Preparedness (General elective) (2) [-1 credit for <40hrs. of equivalent course time]
<b>TOTAL TRANSFER CREDIT HOURS EARNED THROUGH VCJTC:</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>REMAINING COURSE CREDITS @ CSJ</b>		
<b>Program Credits</b>		<b>39</b>
		CRJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 210 Law and Society* <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 230 Drugs and Society
		CRJ 240 Professional Writing <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 250 Race, Ethnicity, Gender & Class
		CRJ 270 Victimology <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 280 Juvenile Justice <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 282 Corrections
		CRJ 283 Criminal Justice Administration
		CRJ 285 Research Methods <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 310 Criminology <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 340 Corporate & White Collar Crime
		CRJ 440 Criminal Justice Seminar
<b>General Education Credits</b>		<b>39</b>
		ENG 101 Introduction to College Writing <sup>(AS)</sup>
		COM 101 Speech Communication <sup>(AS)</sup>
		MAT 101 Survey of Mathematics (or BUS101) <sup>(AS)</sup>
		SCI 101 Biology w/lab <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CIS 101 Computer Literacy <sup>(AS)</sup>
		ENG 102 Reading & Writing About Literature <sup>(AS)</sup>
		PSY 102 Introduction to Psychology <sup>(AS)</sup>
		CRJ 300 Qualitative & Quantitative Analysis
		PHI 301 Ethics for the Professional
		CRJ 350 Forensic Science
		Religion or Philosophy course <sup>(AS)</sup>
		Fine Arts course
		English Elective
<b>General Elective Credits**</b>		<b>29</b>
<b>TOTAL CREDITS FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE:</b>		<b>127</b>

Required documentation includes copies of the student's notarized VCJTC transcript, VCJTC graduation certificate, and any other relevant documentation of equivalent course completion as well as a CSJ admissions application.

\* Also satisfies social science core requirements.

\*\*No CRJ courses may be used to satisfy this requirement.

<sup>(AS)</sup>These are the required courses to earn the Associate of Science degree.

A minimum of 33 credits must be taken at the College of St. Joseph (regardless of the number of credits transferred), 18 of which must be upper level (300-400) courses; 12 of these must be in the criminal justice major with at least 9 credits at the upper level.

At the time of matriculation, students may request to transfer credits completed at a regionally accredited college or university if they earned a grade of "C" or better in the course(s).

Note: In-service students should discuss these requirements with the criminal justice advisor. Transfer students from criminal justice programs in other schools are urged to review their transcript evaluation with the advisor or the Registrar's Office. Students must satisfy the general education and academic major requirements, regardless of the number of criminal justice credits transferred.

All courses earn 3 credits unless otherwise indicated ( ).