

Human Resource Services Cluster



Criminal Justice Program

PROGRAM OF STUDY OVERVIEW:

The Criminal Justice and Law Program provides students with opportunities to develop the knowledge and skills required for entry-level employment in a variety of careers in the criminal justice field. The program offers the opportunity for students to complete an internship at a local police department, the State's Attorney Office or the Office of the Public Defender.



Entrance Grade	Introduction to Criminal Justice 1 Credit	Administration of Justice 1 Credit	Forensic Science I 1 Credit: Double-blocked for One Quarter*	Forensic Science II 1 Credit: Double-blocked for One Quarter* COMPLETER	Work Study (optional)
			*Students commit to completing Forensic I and Forensic II sequentially in a semester.		
11 th Grade Entrance	Fall Junior	Spring Junior	Fall Senior	Fall Senior	Spring Senior

IN THIS PROGRAM

Students will:

- Explain the historical development of law enforcement and the judicial system in the United States;
- Compare the various classifications of offenses, such as crimes against persons, property, and public order and morality;
- Analyze the impact of organized crime and street gangs on today's law enforcement professionals;
- Delineate the processes of evidence collection, analysis, forensic examination, and chain of custody regulations;
- Describe and demonstrate the correct collection and handling of physical evidence; and
- Explain the general principles in physical pattern comparisons.

COURSE SEQUENCE

- Introduction to Criminal Justice (A)
- The Administration of Justice (A)
- Forensic Science I (A)
- Forensic Science II (A)

(A) articulates college credit

For course descriptions, please see the WCPS Course Catalog @ <https://www.worcesterk12.com/>



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