



CRIMINAL JUSTICE- CORRECTIONS & COMMUNITY ADVOCACY

Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Program Code: 10-504-7 Total Credits: 61

Unique in the Wisconsin Technical College System, the Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy program at Mid-State teaches the operations and management of adult/juvenile correctional institutions, probation/parole, community advocacy agencies, special needs populations, alcohol and other drug abuse, and mental health services. Graduates may work in jails, prisons, juvenile detention facilities, halfway houses, and shelter care facilities as well as in the court system. Experienced faculty emphasize professionalism and integrity needed to work in these settings. You'll experience a blend of classroom theory, simulation, and occupational observation, setting you up for success in this field. Our state-of-the-art facilities include a reproduction of a secure detention facility to allow you to develop your skills in a safe yet challenging environment.

Estimated tuition and fees: mstc.edu/programcosts

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

To schedule an appointment with an academic advisor, call 715.422.5300. Academic advisors will travel to other campuses as necessary to accommodate student needs. For more information about advising, visit mstc.edu/advising.

CHECKLIST:

This section will be completed when meeting with your academic advisor.

- FAFSA (www.fafsa.gov)
- Financial Aid Form(s)
Form(s): _____
- Follow-Up Appointment:
Where: _____
When: _____
With: _____
- Official Transcripts
Mid-State Technical College
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- 9-1-1 Telecommunicator
- Probation & Parole Agent

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Arizona State University, Bellevue University, Colorado State University Global, Concordia University, Franklin University, Grand Canyon University (GCU), Herzing University, Lakeland University, Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), Mount Mary University (MMU), Northern Michigan University, Southern Illinois University, University of Phoenix, UW-Green Bay, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Platteville, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Stevens Point at Marshfield, UW-Stout, UW-Whitewater, Viterbo, Western Governors University, and Wisconsin Private-Nonprofit Universities/Colleges.

For more information and additional opportunities, visit mstc.edu/transfer.

OTHER OPTIONS

RELATED PROGRAMS

- Advanced Emergency Medical Technician
- Criminal Justice-Law Enforcement 720 Academy
- Criminal Justice-Studies
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Emergency Services Management
- EMT-Paramedic
- Paramedic Technician

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Employers will expect you, as a Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy graduate, to be able to:

- Explain the components of and interrelationships in the criminal justice system.
- Apply appropriate communication skills to public safety incidents.
- Establish situational safety.
- Engage effectively with vulnerable and disenfranchised individuals/populations.
- Model a healthy lifestyle.
- Adhere to accepted culturally competent, ethical, and behavioral conduct.

TECHNICAL SKILLS ATTAINMENT

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) has implemented a requirement that all technical colleges measure program outcomes attained by students. This requirement is called Technical Skills Attainment (TSA). The main objective of TSA is to ensure graduates have the technical skills needed by employers. Students will be assessed during scenario testing in the Advanced Relational Skills course.

You may be eligible to enter the jail officer certification track. Successful completion of the certification track provides the education and hands-on training required by the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Standards Board to become certifiable as a jail/colocated officer.

Anyone with a felony conviction cannot become a corrections officer without a governor's pardon. A lengthy criminal history or numerous moving traffic violations may hinder opportunities for employment.

PROGRAM PROGRESSION

In order to successfully complete the program, students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all program and general education courses required for graduation. Please note that the ability to repeat courses is dependent upon availability of courses.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

A list of specific physical, emotional, and mental tasks needed to function as a jail officer is available at mstc.edu/programs/corrections-community-advocacy. Contact the Disability Services coordinator in the Student Services & Information Center to receive assistance.

STUDENT HANDBOOK

Visit mstc.edu/studenthandbook to view Mid-State's student handbook, which contains information about admissions, enrollment, appeals processes, services for people with disabilities, financial aid, graduation, privacy, Mid-State's Student Code of Conduct, and technology.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

The GPS for Student Success course is required for all Mid-State program students and is recommended to be completed before obtaining 12 credits. (Not counted in the total credit value for this program.) Some students are exempt from this requirement. Please see your program advisor for more information.

GPS for Student Success ☑

10890102 1 credit

Integrate necessary skills for student success by developing an academic plan, identifying interpersonal attributes for success, adopting efficient and effective learning strategies, and utilizing Mid-State resources, policies, and processes. This course is recommended to be completed prior to obtaining 12 credits and is a graduation requirement unless you receive an exemption from your program advisor.

ADDITIONAL COURSES AS NEEDED

The following courses may be recommended or required if the student does not achieve minimum Accuplacer scores.

College Reading and Writing 1

10831104 3 credits

Provides learners with opportunities to develop and expand reading and writing skills to prepare for college-level academic work. Students will employ critical reading strategies to improve comprehension, analysis, and retention of texts. Students will apply the writing process to produce well-developed, coherent, and unified written work.

Pre-Algebra

10834109 3 credits

Provides an introduction to algebra. Includes operations on real numbers, solving linear equations, percent and proportion, and an introduction to polynomials and statistics. Prepares students for elementary algebra and subsequent algebra-related courses.

Prerequisite: Accuplacer Math score of 65, Accuplacer Algebra score of 30, ABE Math Prep V 76854785 and ABE Math Prep VI 76854786 with a grade of "S." (Note: ABE Math Prep V and VI courses cannot be used to satisfy program completion requirements at Mid-State.)

SAMPLE FULL-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term		15 credits
10504104	Intro to the Criminal Justice System	3
10504107	Wellness for Rehabilitative Professionals	3
10504109	Basic Professional Communications	3
10801136	English Composition 1	3
10801196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication -or-	
10801198	Speech	3
Term		15 credits
10504105	Mental Health	3
10504106	Contemporary Social Issues	3
10504116	Probation & Parole	3
10504179	Management of Adult Population	3
10804107	College Mathematics -or-	
10804189	Introductory Statistics -or-	
10806189	Basic Anatomy	3
Term		16 credits
10504128	Telecommunications	2
10504178	Secure Detention	2
10504184	Basic Jail Academy 1 -or-	
10504165	Basic Incarceration Principles	3
10504185	Basic Jail Academy 2 -or-	
10504167	Trauma & Resiliency	3
10809166	Intro to Ethics: Theory & Application	3
10809188	Developmental Psychology -or-	
10809198	Intro to Psychology	3
Term		15 credits
10504132	Advanced Relational Skills -or-	
10504131	Rehabilitative Professionals Internship	3
10504156	Child Advocacy	3
10504159	Interpersonal Violence/Victimology	3
10504175	Understanding Substance Abuse	3
10809172	Introduction to Diversity Studies -or-	
10809196	Intro to Sociology	3
Total credits		61

This course has options available to receive credit for prior learning (CPL) or work experience. Visit the website at mstc.edu/cpl or contact your advisor for details.

Please Note:

- This curriculum sequence is only for student planning. Actual student schedules will vary depending on course availability.
- Program completion time may vary based on student scheduling and course availability. For details, go to mstc.edu/schedule.

SAMPLE PART-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term		6 credits
10504104	Intro to the Criminal Justice System	3
10504107	Wellness for Rehabilitative Professionals	3
Term		9 credits
10504105	Mental Health	3
10504106	Contemporary Social Issues	3
10801136	English Composition 1	3
Term		6 credits
10504109	Basic Professional Communications	3
10801196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication -or-	
10801198	Speech	3
Term		9 credits
10504116	Probation & Parole	3
10504179	Management of Adult Population	3
10809166	Intro to Ethics: Theory & Application	3
Term		8 credits
10504128	Telecommunications	2
10804107	College Mathematics -or-	
10804189	Introductory Statistics -or-	
10806189	Basic Anatomy	3
10809172	Introduction to Diversity Studies -or-	
10809196	Intro to Sociology	3
Term		6 credits
10504156	Child Advocacy	3
10504159	Interpersonal Violence/Victimology	3
Term		8 credits
10504178	Secure Detention	2
10504184	Basic Jail Academy 1 -or-	
10504165	Basic Incarceration Principles	3
10504185	Basic Jail Academy 2 -or-	
10504167	Trauma & Resiliency	3
Term		9 credits
10504132	Advanced Relational Skills -or-	
10504131	Rehabilitative Professionals Internship	3
10504175	Understanding Substance Abuse	3
10809188	Developmental Psychology -or-	
10809198	Intro to Psychology	3
Total credits		61

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Advanced Relational Skills

10504132.....3 credits

Utilizes scenario-based instruction to prepare students in the use of specific techniques and processes required for effective communication in today's professional criminal justice professions. Emphasizes communication skills that enhance professional interactions within service professions. Learners will complete a basic resume, cover letter, and background packet. Learners will prepare for a criminal justice career interview and participate in a mock interview with current practitioners. A program requirement for community service will also be tracked in this course.
Prerequisite: Admission to Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy program 105047

Basic Anatomy

108061893 credits

Examines concepts of anatomy and physiology as they relate to health careers. Learners correlate anatomical and physiological terminology to all body systems.
Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236 or ACT of 15. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Basic Incarceration Principles

105041653 credits

Learners will explore topics relating to the rights of incarcerated populations, maintaining personal vigilance and environmental safety in detention facilities, caring for mentally and physically fragile populations, and communicating with inmates and facility staff.
Corequisite: Trauma & Resiliency 10504167

Basic Jail Academy 1 ☑

105041843 credits

This State of Wisconsin jail preparatory training program includes the following topics: Introduction to Corrections, Principles of Subject Control, Maintain Jail Security, Jail Hostage Response, Professional Communication Skills, Ethics and Ethical Decision Making, Admit and Release Inmates, Inmate Supervision and Behavior Control, Supervision of Special Needs Inmates/Crisis Intervention, Prepare Reports, Correctional Law, Jail Health Care, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation, Jail Fire Safety, Application: Scenarios/Simulations, and Testing/Evaluation. Once learners successfully complete this course and the Basic Jail Academy 2 course, they are eligible for certifiable status by the State of Wisconsin to work in a county jail. This is primarily a lab-based class.
Prerequisites: Admission to Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy 105047 program, passing of a background check and medical screening; Corequisite: Basic Jail Academy 2 10504185

Basic Jail Academy 2 ☑

10504185.....3 credits

This State of Wisconsin jail preparatory training program includes the following topics: Introduction to Corrections, Principles of Subject Control, Maintain Jail Security, Jail Hostage Response, Professional Communication Skills, Ethics and Ethical Decision Making, Admit and Release Inmates, Inmate Supervision and Behavior Control, Supervision of Special Needs Inmates/Crisis Intervention, Prepare Reports, Correctional Law, Jail Health Care, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation, Jail Fire Safety, Application: Scenarios/Simulations, and Testing/Evaluation. Once learners successfully complete this course and the Basic Jail Academy 1 course, they are eligible for certifiable status by the State of Wisconsin to work in a county jail. This is primarily a lab-based class.
Prerequisite: Admission to Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy 105047 program, passing of a background check and medical screening; Corequisite: Basic Jail Academy 1 10504184

Basic Professional Communications

105041093 credits

Learners in this course will explore ways to effectively utilize oral and written communications in professional rehabilitation forums. Learners will acquire the skills to communicate professionally, while learning mediation, motivational interviewing and basic professional communication techniques.

Child Advocacy

105041563 credits

Introduces the concepts of child advocacy with an emphasis on the public service professional's role in identifying and managing situations involving child abuse and neglect. Provides an overview of the field of child advocacy, and explores the role of child advocate in different professions as well as ethical, legal, and professional responsibilities. Takes a multi-disciplinary team approach to examining family problems related to poverty, drug abuse, and violence. Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are examined.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

College Mathematics ☑

108041073 credits

Designed to review and develop fundamental concepts of mathematics pertinent to the areas of: 1) arithmetic and algebra; 2) geometry and trigonometry; and 3) probability and statistics. Special emphasis is placed on problem solving, critical thinking and logical reasoning, making connections, and using calculators. Topics include performing arithmetic operations and simplifying algebraic expressions, solving linear equations and inequalities in one variable, solving proportions and incorporating percent applications, manipulating formulas, solving and graphing systems of linear equations and inequalities in two variables, finding areas and volumes of geometric figures, applying similar and congruent triangles, converting measurements within and between US and metric systems, applying Pythagorean Theorem, solving right and oblique triangles, calculating probabilities, organizing data and interpreting charts, calculating central and spread measures, and summarizing and analyzing data.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Arithmetic of 250 and QAS 234 or ACT of 17 or Pre-Algebra 10834109 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Contemporary Social Issues

105041063 credits

Learners in this course will examine contemporary social issues that affect the rehabilitative professions. Learners will gain an understanding of how major systems of power such as racism, sexism, classism, and heterosexism are integrated and result in numerous social conflicts.

Developmental Psychology ☑

10809188.....3 credits

Studies human development throughout the lifespan and explores developmental theory and research with an emphasis on the interactive nature of the biological, cognitive, and psychosocial changes that affect the individual from conception to death. Application activities and critical thinking skills enable students to gain an increased knowledge and understanding of themselves and others.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/ 16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

English Composition 1 ☑

108011363 credits

Designed for learners to develop knowledge and skills in all aspects of the writing process. Planning, organizing, writing, editing, and revising are applied through a variety of activities. Students analyze audience and purpose, use elements of research, and format documents using standard guidelines. Individuals develop critical reading skills through analysis of various written documents.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Writing of 262 or ACT of 20 or College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better or equivalent. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Interpersonal Violence/Victimology

105041593 credits

Explores interpersonal violence, defined as abuse that occurs between people who know each other and that can occur within or outside a family setting. This abuse involves one person who uses power and control over another through physical, sexual, or emotional threats or actions; economic control; isolation; or other kinds of coercive behavior. Explores different types of interpersonal violence, including physical abuse, bullying, dating/relationship violence, gang violence, and sexual violence.

Intro to Ethics: Theory & Application ☑

108091663 credits

Provides a basic understanding of the theoretical foundations of ethical thought. Diverse ethical perspectives are used to analyze and compare relevant issues. Students critically evaluate individual, social, and/or professional standards of behavior, and apply a systemic decision-making process to these situations.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Intro to Psychology ☑

108091983 credits

This science of psychology course is a survey of multiple aspects of behavior and mental processes. It provides an overview of topics such as research methods, theoretical perspectives, learning, cognition, memory, motivation, emotions, personality, abnormal psychology, physiological factors, social influences, and development.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Intro to Sociology ☑

108091963 credits

Introduces students to the basic concepts of sociology: culture, socialization, social stratification, multi-culturalism, and the five institutions of family, politics, economics, religion, and education. Other topics include demography, deviance, technology, environment, social issues, social change, and social organization.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Intro to the Criminal Justice System

10504104.....3 credits

This course is an introduction into the criminal justice system and it examines its components: law enforcement, court processes and corrections. Students will explore the qualifications and the selection process for the profession and will identify the duties and responsibilities of those who work within the criminal justice system.

Introduction to Diversity Studies

10809172.....3 credits

Introduces learners to the study of diversity from a local to a global environment using a holistic, interdisciplinary approach. Encourages self-exploration and prepares the learner to work in a diverse environment. In addition to an analysis of majority/minority relations in a multicultural context, the primary topics of race, ethnicity, age, gender, class, sexual orientation, disability, and religion are explored. *Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237 or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.*

Introductory Statistics

108041893 credits

Students taking Introductory Statistics display data with graphs, describe distributions with numbers, perform correlation and regression analyses, and design experiments. They use probability and distributions to make predictions, estimate parameters, and test hypotheses. They draw inferences about relationships including ANOVA. Algebra knowledge and foundational skills in mathematics are important for success in this course.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer QAS 241 or ACT of 19 or Pre-Algebra 10834109 with a grade of "C" or better or College Math 10804107 with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent.

Management of Adult Population

10504179.....3 credits

Reviews the importance of working positively with the incarcerated adult population. Focuses on the practice of constructive interaction skills, including positive behavior control, dispute resolution, and incident debriefing. Learners explore belief systems, social pressure, moral problems, decision making, and the consequences of decisions.

Prerequisite: Admission to Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy program 105047

Mental Health

105041053 credits

Learners in this course will receive an overview of crisis intervention. The conceptual framework for crisis intervention practice, including crisis theory, crisis concepts, and crisis intervention models and strategies will be explored.

Oral/Interpersonal Communication

108011963 credits

Focuses on developing effective listening techniques and verbal and nonverbal communication skills through oral presentation, group activity, and other projects. The study of self, conflict, and cultural contexts will be explored, as well as their impact on communication.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading Skills of 236, Writing of 237, or ACT of 15 Reading/16 Writing. Students are encouraged to bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Probation & Parole

105041163 credits

Analyzes modern probation and parole practices and services, examines current probation procedures and the case law affecting those decisions. Reviews the advantages of community-based treatment and special programs. Through learning activities, students are exposed to a portion of the "daily life" of a probation and parole agent.

Rehabilitative Professionals Internship

105041313 credits

Learners in the internship will be provided an excellent opportunity to experience the wide variety of duties and responsibilities of rehabilitative professionals in the field. Students interested in an internship with an agency will participate in an application and interview process to facilitate the selection and placement process. Selected applicants will complete 144 hours in their internship. There is an additional 18 hours of in-class lecture. Acceptance to an agency may be impacted based on findings of a background check and specific agency criteria.

Prerequisite: Admission to Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy program 105047

Secure Detention

10504178.....2 credits

Reviews theories of adolescent development, history of juvenile court, the Wisconsin Juvenile Justice Code, and the Wisconsin Administrative Code as it applies to juvenile offenders. Learners become familiar with procedures to admit/release adolescents in secure detention. Learners also apply strategies for effective supervision, protection, and discipline of juveniles and adolescents in secure detention settings, including those classified as special-needs offenders. Students meeting all requirements of this course they will be certifiable to work in a juvenile detention colocated facility in the State of Wisconsin.

Prerequisite: Admission to Criminal Justice-Corrections & Community Advocacy program 105047

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Speech

108011983 credits

Explores the fundamentals of effective oral presentation to small and large groups. Topic selection, audience analysis, methods of organization, research, structuring evidence and support, delivery techniques, and other essential elements of speaking successfully, including the listening process, form the basis of this course. Bring transcripts for further evaluation if they do not meet these requirements.

Prerequisite: High School GPA of 3.0 or Accuplacer Reading of 253, Writing of 262, or ACT of 21 Reading/19 Writing, or completion of College Reading and Writing 1 10831104 with a "C" or better or equivalent.

Telecommunications

10504128.....2 credits

Examines the duties of a 9-1-1 telecommunicator and their role in the public safety team. Focuses on how to handle an emergency when someone calls or radios for help. Further, the learner will review roles and responsibilities, legal aspects, interpersonal communications, trending technology, telephone techniques and call processing, call classification, and radio communications. Learners will discover how to take care of themselves as a 9-1-1 telecommunicator.

Trauma & Resiliency

10504167.....3 credits

Learners will explore the causes and effects of trauma and poverty on youth and adult disenfranchised populations. Through the principles of Trauma Informed Care, learners will experience resiliency-building techniques and practice strategies for communicating and advocating for people affected by trauma.

Corequisite: Basic Incarceration Principles 10504165

Understanding Substance Abuse

10504175.....3 credits

Examines the problems of drug abuse and issues across the spectrum, including the latest thoughts about prevention and awareness. Provides an understanding of the origins and current status of drug use, including special situations addressed for a person who may be experiencing problems with substance abuse. Assessment, intervention, rehabilitation, and recovery are also introduced.

Wellness for Rehabilitative Professionals

105041073 credits

Learners in this course will explore and understand the importance of self-care in the rehabilitative professions. The points of focus will include stress management, dimensions of wellness, compassion fatigue, resilience, secondary trauma, and burn-out risks.