



2015-2016 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET
Degree: Associate of Applied Science
Major: Criminal Justice

This program is designed for students who want the credentials of an Associate's Degree combined with the Colorado Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certification. It is highly recommended that students seeking this degree complete their essential learning and elective requirements prior to enrolling in the Western Colorado Community College POST Academy. Once a student has passed all the minimum requirements of Colorado POST he or she has a timeline of ONLY 12 months to be hired by a law enforcement agency (with a possible 6 month extension).

Upon successful completion of the requirements, the student would be awarded an A.A.S. degree in Criminal Justice by Colorado Mesa University. This degree provides graduates with an advantage in the competitive law enforcement career market. Graduates are qualified to apply for jobs in police departments, sheriff's offices, county jails, alternative sentencing programs, Colorado State Parks, Dept. of Corrections and the State Patrol. Current professionals may increase their promotional opportunities.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/wccc/programs.html>

All CMU associate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Illustrate communication and writing skills that are formal and professional in nature. (Communication Fluency)
2. Apply mathematical concepts required of entry level law enforcement and criminal justice professionals. (Quantitative Fluency)
3. Demonstrate critical thinking skills by evaluating and analyzing contemporary issues in law enforcement and criminal justice using knowledge of criminal justice concepts, terminology, and theories. (Critical Thinking)
4. Demonstrate specialized and holistic knowledge of the Criminal Justice system and the law enforcement profession. (Specialized Knowledge)
5. Demonstrate proficiency in basic skills required for entry level law enforcement and criminal justice professionals. (Applied Learning)
6. Examine ethical standards and practices, specific to law enforcement, the courts, and corrections. (Specialized Knowledge)

POLICIES:

1. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.** You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office **by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature. Finally, the Department Head will submit the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
4. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
5. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you may be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).

NAME: _____ **STUDENT ID #:** _____

LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER: _____

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I, (Signature) _____, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I have read and understand the policies listed on the last page of this program sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

Signature of Advisor _____ 20
Date

Signature of Department Head _____ 20
Date

Signature of Registrar _____ 20
Date

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- A minimum of 60 semester hours total (a minimum of 16 taken at CMU in no fewer than two semesters)
- A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher must be maintained for all courses taken.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- A student must follow the CMU graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student’s faculty advisor and Department Head.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- See the “Undergraduate Graduation Requirements” in the catalog for additional graduation information.

ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS (Minimum 15 semester hours) See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the Essential Learning list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the Essential Learning requirement. The Essential Learning capstone course and co-requisite Essential Speech course (required for bachelor’s degrees) cannot be used as options for the below requirements.

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
Communication (6 semester hours)				
ENGL 111	English Composition	3	_____	_____
ENGL 112	English Composition	3	_____	_____
-OR-				
ENGL 111	English Composition <u>and</u>	3	_____	_____
SPCH 102	Speechmaking	3	_____	_____

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Mathematics MATH 107 or higher (Minimum 3 semester hours)
 MATH 108 Technical Mathematics 4 _____
 *Note: MATH 110 or higher is required for BA or BAS in Criminal Justice

Social Science, Natural Science, Fine Arts or Humanities *
 (Minimum 6 semester hours) Choose from PSYC 150, SPCH 102, SOCO 144, SOCO 260, PHIL 120

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WELLNESS REQUIREMENT (2 semester hours)

KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____
KINA 127	Physical Conditioning	1	_____	_____

*KINA 127 is taken simultaneously with POST Academy

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE REQUIREMENTS

(43 semester hours)

Core Classes

CRJW 101	Basic Police Academy	6	_____	_____
CRJW 102	Basic Police Academy II	10	_____	_____
CRJW 105	Basic Law	6	_____	_____
CRJW 106	Arrest Control	3	_____	_____
CRJW 107	Law Enforcement Driving	2	_____	_____
CRJW 108	Firearms	3	_____	_____
CRMJ 110	Orientation to Criminal Justice	1	_____	_____
CRMJ 201	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	_____	_____
SPCH 101	Interpersonal Communication	3	_____	_____
POLS 101	American Government	3	_____	_____
SOCO 264	Social Problems	3	_____	_____

*Please see your advisor for requirements specific to this program.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE—CMU/WCCC EMPHASIS

First Semester	Hours
ENGL 111 English Composition	3
SPCH 101 Interpersonal Communication	3
POLS 101 American Government	3
Essential Learning History, Social and Behavioral Science, Humanities, Natural Science, Fine Arts or Mathematics	6
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Third Semester	Hours
CRJW 101 Basic Police Academy	6
CRJW 102 Basic Police Academy II	10
CRJW 105 Basic Law	6
CRJW 106 Arrest Control	3
CRJW 107 Law Enforcement Driving	2
CRJW 108 Firearms	3
KINA 127 Physical Conditioning	1
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Second Semester	Hours
ENGL 112 English Composition OR	
SPCH 102 Speechmaking	3
CRMJ 110 Orientation to Criminal Justice	1
CRMJ 201 Intro to Criminal Justice	3
SOCO 264 Social Problems	3
MATH 108 Technical Math	4
KINE 100 Health and Wellness	1
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