

### 2016-2017 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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	, hereby certify that I have completed (or will controlled the policies listed on the last page of this program sheet. I further certicept for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses of will complete these courses.	
Signature of Advisor	Date	20
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Signature of Department Head	Date	20
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Signature of Registrar	Date	

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#### **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 "Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates" 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 corequisite 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	
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-OR-		
ENGL 111 English Composition and	3	
SPCH 102 Speechmaking	3	

Course No Title Sem.hrs Grade Term/Trns

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,PHIL120

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	

<sup>\*</sup>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 of	or
	Mathematics	<u>6</u>
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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	<u>1</u>
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Second Semest	er	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	<u>1</u>
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