About our program

Greenville Technical College’s Criminal Justice Technology Associate in Applied Science degree provides the knowledge and, for many agencies, the minimum educational requirement for an entry-level position in the field of law enforcement. These positions may offer a good perspective for discovering where your particular interests and abilities will allow you to excel. Our graduates often pursue bachelor’s degrees and higher, using their GTC education as a foundation in law enforcement, corrections, victim services, and other professions.

Why Greenville Technical College?

If you are considering a career in criminal justice and are hesitant about your prospects for a successful college experience, there are many support services offered at Greenville Technical College. Our advisors, tutors counselors, and faculty are here to help you achieve your goals.

Greenville Technical College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), just like Clemson, the University of South Carolina, and many other regional four-year colleges and universities. Our standards ensure easier transfer of credits should you decide to pursue a higher academic degree, because our courses must meet the same high standards.

Program Award

- Criminal Justice Technology Associate Degree
Career Opportunities

The Bureau of Labor and Statistics projects the number of jobs for corrections and probations officers to remain steady, with lack of funding tempering job growth. Employment for police and detectives is expected to grow about 7% between 2016 and 2026, with new opportunities in public safety.

Police and sheriff’s patrol officers, and correctional officers are all on the list of higher-wage jobs with good opportunities in South Carolina not requiring a bachelor’s or advanced degree, according to a report published by the SC Department of Employment and Workforce (July 2014).

What You’ll Learn

Required courses include instruction in these and other subjects:
- American government
- Police and community relations
- Sociology
- Investigations
- Evidence
- Ethics
- Security

Greenville Technical College graduates go on to positions in juvenile justice, corporate security, special investigations, as well as local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

Our program has articulation agreements with Limestone College, North Greenville University, USC Upstate and Anderson University, allowing our graduates to transfer earned credits toward a bachelor’s degree. In addition, most or all of the credits earned in our Criminal Justice program are easily transferred to four-year colleges and universities, including Limestone University, Anderson University, Columbia College, USC, Coastal Carolina University, The Citadel and Jacksonville State University, however students are advised to discuss transfer plans with advisors at their chosen destination college to create a course plan.

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