

# CORRECTIONAL SCIENCE

## DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Associate in Science Degree (A.S.)

Certificate of Achievement

## DESCRIPTION

The Correctional Science program offers an Associate in Science Degree and a Certificate of Achievement. The program provides the foundational education required for an individual's career entry into the criminal justice field, specifically correctional operations and probation/parole case investigations. The courses range from concepts of criminal law, evidence, investigation and reporting to criminology, aspects of social change, and corrections investigations.

## PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Identify the basic concepts between Probation and Parole and the role they play in the criminal justice arena.
2. Identify the methods used and the purposes of institutional safety and how it relates to the structure and organization of inmate control and supervision.
3. Identify the various kinds of interventions available and the techniques used in the industry.

## ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAMS

**The Associate in Arts (AA) or the Associate in Science (AS) Degree** involves satisfactory completion of a minimum of 60 semester units with a C average or higher, including grades of C in all courses required for the major, and fulfillment of all IVC district requirements for the associate's degree along with all general education requirements. The degree provides a sound basis for transfer to upper division institutions for additional degrees or for higher vocational preparation. To be eligible to receive an Associate Degree the student must complete the requirements for the major, the District requirements for an Associate Degree, and the General Education requirements. In addition students must maintain a minimum grade point average and meet the minimum grade requirements of their program. Detailed information is available in the college catalog.

**The Certificate of Achievement** program is designed for students with personal or occupational goals who wish early employment. To qualify for the Certificate, a student must satisfy the following requirements: (1) complete all courses listed for a particular certificate.; (2) achieve a "C" average (2.0 GPA) for all courses used to complete the certificate; and, (3) file a Certificate Application form with Admissions and Records by the appropriate deadline(s) identified on the application.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Of the career opportunities identified some will usually require the completion of degree requirements at 4-year colleges and universities.

- Correctional Officer
- Security Guard

## Related Career Opportunities

- Fire Inspectors
- Fire Investigators
- Bailiffs
- Jailors
- Police Detectives
- Transit and Railroad Police
- Criminal Investigators
- Special Agents
- Immigration Inspectors
- Customs Inspectors
- Sheriffs
- Deputy Sheriffs
- Private Detectives
- Investigators

**Gainful Employment:** Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at IVC. Please click on our Programs of Study link to view the information for each certificate program: <http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/programs-of-study/>



## TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree at Imperial Valley College may not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a bachelor's degree. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with an IVC Counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

## Transfer Resources:

[www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org) – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine

[www.CSUMentor.edu](http://www.CSUMentor.edu) – CSU System Information

[www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html) - UC System Information

[www.aiccu.edu](http://www.aiccu.edu) – California Independent Colleges and Universities, Association of

<http://wiche.edu/wue> - Western Undergraduate Exchange Programs

## FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that IVC offers a full array of financial aid programs – grants, work study, scholarships, and fee waivers (we do not participate in the federal loan programs). These programs are available to both full and part time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: [www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/](http://www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/)

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## ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

### CORRECTIONAL SCIENCE MAJOR – A.S. DEGREE

Twenty-four (24.0) units required for this major.

ALL COURSES FOR THIS MAJOR MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

#### I. Required courses for the major (15.0 units)

|     |     |   |     |
|-----|-----|---|-----|
| AJ  | 108 | Public Safety Report Writing (Formerly AJ 120)              | 3.0 |
| CSI | 100 | Introduction to Corrections                                 | 3.0 |
| CSI | 104 | Concepts of Probation and Parole                            | 3.0 |
| CSI | 206 | Correctional Interviewing and Counseling (Formerly CSI 106) | 3.0 |
| CSI | 208 | Control and Supervision of Inmates (Formerly CSI 108)       | 3.0 |

#### II. Select nine (9.0) units from the following courses:

|    |     |   |
|----|-----|---|
| AJ | 100 | Introduction to Administration of Justice (3.0) |
| AJ | 102 | Concepts of Criminal Law (3.0)                  |
| AJ | 110 | Law Enforcement Community Relations (3.0)       |
| AJ | 141 | Arrest and Firearms (3.5)                       |
| AJ | 222 | Criminal Investigation (Formerly AJ 122) (3.0)  |
| AJ | 223 | Juvenile Control (Formerly AJ 123) (3.0)        |

**Total Major Units**

**24.0**

## CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

### CORRECTIONAL SCIENCE CERTIFICATE

Twenty-five (25.0) units required for this certificate.

ALL COURSES FOR THE CERTIFICATE MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

#### I. Required courses for the certificate (19.0 units)

|      |     |   |     |
|------|-----|---|-----|
| AJ   | 108 | Public Safety Report Writing (Formerly AJ 120)              | 3.0 |
| CSI  | 100 | Introduction to Corrections                                 | 3.0 |
| CSI  | 104 | Concepts of Probation and Parole                            | 3.0 |
| CSI  | 206 | Correctional Interviewing and Counseling (Formerly CSI 106) | 3.0 |
| CSI  | 208 | Control and Supervision of Inmates (Formerly CSI 108)       | 3.0 |
| ENGL | 110 | Composition and Reading                                     | 4.0 |

#### II. Select six (6.0) units from the following courses:

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|----|-----|---|
| AJ | 100 | Introduction to Administration of Justice (3.0) |
| AJ | 102 | Concepts of Criminal Law (3.0)                  |
| AJ | 110 | Law Enforcement Community Relations (3.0)       |
| AJ | 141 | Arrest and Firearms (3.5)                       |
| AJ | 222 | Criminal Investigation (Formerly AJ 122) (3.0)  |
| AJ | 223 | Juvenile Control (Formerly AJ 123) (3.0)        |

**Total Certificate Units**

**25.0**