



Associate of Applied Science in CJI Crime Scene Investigation

2026-2027 Catalog

Program Overview

This degree is a partnership program between UAHT and the Criminal Justice Institute. Officers enrolled in this program of study will complete coursework from both institutions that leads to an associate degree in the field of Crime Scene Investigation.

- Total Credit Hours Required: 60 credits
- Program Length: 2 years
- Delivery Format: Face to Face, Online
- Credentials Awarded: Associate of Applied Science
- ADHE Degree Code: 0387

Required General Education Courses

Course ID	Course Name	Credit Hours	Notes
ENGL 10103	Composition I	3	
ENGL 10203 ENGL 20203	Composition II or Technical Writing	3	
MATH 11003 MATH 11103	College Algebra or Quantitative Literacy	3	
CPSI 10003	Introduction to Computers or Computer Applications	3	
PLSC 20003	American Government	3	
HIST 21103 HIST 21203	U.S. History I or U.S. History II	3	
BUSI 10103 CRJU 10203 HIST 11103 HIST 11203 PSYC 11003 SOC 10103 SPCH 10003	Introduction to Business or Introduction to Criminal Justice or World Civilizations I or World Civilizations II or General Psychology or Sociology or Principles of Speech	12	Must choose 12 credit hours here.
Total General Education Courses Required		30	

CJI/Crime Scene Investigation Courses Required

Course ID	Course Name	Credit Hours	Notes
CJI	Crime Scene Technician Certificate Program	9	135 contact hours
LETA	Law Enforcement Certification	3	
CJI	Crime Scene Special Topics	10	150 contact hours
CJI	Advanced Crime Scene Technician Certificate	4	63 contact hours
CJI	Advanced Crime Scene Special Topics	4	
Total CJI Courses Required		30	

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Program Requirements

- Students in this program of study must be 21 years of age.
- Students in this program of study must be Arkansas law enforcement officers who are actively employed within a law enforcement agency in the state of Arkansas.

Stackable Credentials

Crime Scene Investigation, Certificate of Proficiency

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Officers will obtain 12 degree hours by attending advanced courses presented by the Criminal Justice Institute (CJI) and complete basic law enforcement training at an ACLEST accredited academy. Each grouping of allowable courses meets or exceeds the requirement of a minimum of 45 classroom hours to receive 3 hours of credit.

Course ID	Course Name	Credit Hours	Notes
ENGL 10103	Composition I	3	
CJI	Crime Scene Technician Certificate Program	9	135 contact hours
CJI	Law Enforcement Certification	3	
	Total Credit Hours for Certificate of Proficiency	15	

Crime Scene Investigation, Technical Certificate

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For the Technical Certificate, must complete the CP Crime Scene Investigation (15 credits) and the courses listed below. Officers will obtain 22 degree hours by attending advanced courses presented by the Criminal Justice Institute (CJI) and complete basic law enforcement training at an ACLEST accredited academy. Each grouping of allowable courses meets or exceeds the requirement of a minimum of 45 classroom hours to receive 3 hours of credit.

Course ID	Course Name	Credit Hours	Notes
MATH 11003 MATH 11103	College Algebra or Quantitative Literacy	3	
CPSI 10003 CJI	Introduction to Computers or Computer Applications	3	
CJI	Crime Scene Special Topics	10	150 contact hours
	Total Credit Hours for Technical Certificate	31	

Criminal Justice Institute Course Descriptions

- Crime Scene Technician Certificate Program- 9 credits, 135 contact hours
- Law Enforcement Certification- 3 credits
 - These hours are earned through completion of the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy or its equivalent based upon approval of the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training. A non-commissioned law enforcement employee currently serving as a Civilian Crime Scene Specialist will be required to complete six credit hours of Criminal Justice from the education institution to fulfill this requirement.

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- Crime Scene Special Topics- 10 credits, 150 contact hours
 - Fingerprint classification, Comparison and Identification (21), Management of Evidence and Recovered Property (14), Recovery of Human Remains (35-40)*, Shooting Scene Investigation (21), Using Forensic Light Sources (21)*, Bloodstain Pattern Documentation (21-28), Death Scene Investigation (24), Investigations Using the Internet of Things (7), Exploiting Social Media and Open Source Intelligence in Criminal Investigations (21) (number of contact hours noted in parentheses)
- Advanced Crime Scene Technician Certificate Program*- 4 credits, 63 contact hours
 - Advanced Crime Scene Photography (21), Advanced Crime Scene Processing Techniques (21), Crime Scene Reconstruction and Interpretation (21)
- Advanced Crime Scene Special Topics- 4 credits, 60 contact hours
 - Advanced Management of Evidence and Recovered Property (14)* or Comprehensive Management of Evidence and Recovered Property (21), Crime Scene Reconstruction and Interpretation (28)*, Basic Spanish for Law Enforcement (21), Community, Culture, and Command Spanish (7), Investigative Statement Analysis: The Truth is in the Lies (21), Crime Scene Digital Photography and Imaging (28), Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (40), Firearms for Crime Scenes (24) (number of contact hours noted in parentheses)
- Advanced Crime Scene Electives** (40 max hours): Advanced Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (28)

*Offered every other fiscal year

**Courses to be approved by CJI's Degree Program Committee (Director, Assistant Directors, Program Administrators). Degree Program will also be reviewed by the CJI Advisory Board annually. Courses may not be offered each fiscal year.

Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS)

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. Courses not having an ACTS number may also transfer. Please consult the receiving institution for complete transfer information. To review the Arkansas Course Transfer System, visit <https://adhe.edu/students-parents/transfer-info-for-students>.