

HERZING

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC SAFETY (ASPS)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN PUBLIC SAFETY (AASPS)

(The associate of applied science is offered at the Akron, Minneapolis, and Toledo campuses only)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This program provides students with comprehensive academic knowledge of criminology, law enforcement, corrections, and the criminal justice system as well as the skills and techniques used in these disciplines.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of their program, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of law enforcement practices.
2. Demonstrate proficiency in evidence forensics.
3. Analyze and apply an understanding of the judicial process, corrections, and juvenile justice as they relate to law enforcement.
4. Demonstrate the ability to define and articulate organizational and ethical issues affecting law enforcement.
5. Think critically, both conceptually and by using mathematical analysis; write and speak effectively; use basic computer applications; and understand human behavior in the context of the greater society.

POTENTIAL JOB POSITION TITLES

Potential entry-level job position titles include law enforcement personnel (local, state, and federal), corrections personnel, and corporate security specialist. This degree can also provide advancement opportunities for law enforcement personnel requiring an associate's degree when applying for or advancing within the profession. (Some states, including Minnesota, may require state certification or academy completion before being hired in a law enforcement position.)

PROGRAM CONTENT

A minimum of 60.00 semester credit hours is required for graduation.

REQUIRED COURSES

All courses, 34.00 semester credit hours, are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Credit Hours
CJ 105	Introduction to Criminal Justice	None	3.00
CJ 115	Criminal Law	None	3.00
CJ 120	Introduction to Criminology	None	3.00
CJ 130	Introduction to Law and Judicial Process	None	3.00
CJ 140	Report Writing and Communications	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 200	Introduction to Corrections	None	3.00
CJ 210	Law Enforcement Security	CJ 130	3.00
CJ 220	Ethics in Law Enforcement	CJ 105	3.00
CJ 230	Evidence Forensics	CJ 130	4.00
CJ 250	Juvenile Justice	None	3.00
HS 100	Introduction to Homeland Security	None	3.00

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Students enrolled in this associate's degree must complete a minimum of 24.00 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for Herzing University courses that would satisfy these requirements. *

- 1.00 Semester Credit Hours in Information Literacy
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in English Composition
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Speech
- 4.00 Semester Credit Hours in Computer Applications ♦
- 4.00 Semester Credit Hours in Mathematics (College Algebra or Above)
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Social or Behavioral Science
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Natural Science or Humanities With a Critical Thinking Focus ** ▲ ♦
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in General Education Electives ♦

* Transfer students may transfer courses that are within 1.00 semester credit hour of the courses listed above to meet these discipline requirements. Any resulting deficiency in the total of 24.00 semester credit hours required in general education may be made up with general education electives from any of the listed disciplines.

** A course with a critical thinking focus would be a course that addresses the theories and application of critical analysis with an emphasis on developing sequential reasoning skills. Examples may be courses in critical thinking, philosophy, logic, or science.

▲ Students in the state of Georgia must take a science course to fulfill this requirement.

♦ The state of Minnesota requires a minimum of 20.00 semester credit hours of general education for associate's degrees, not counting computer applications. However, all Herzing University students in the AASPS program must complete a minimum of 24.00 semester credit hours in general education, including computer applications, to complete the requirement for graduation from this associate's degree program. Minnesota students must complete at least 2.00 semester credit hours of general education in the humanities.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

2.00 semester credit hours are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Credit Hours
PD 121	Professional Development I	None	1.00
PD 202	Professional Development II	None	1.00

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at <http://www.herzing.edu/career-programs/undergraduate-degrees/public-safety>