

# Criminal Justice Studies

PROGRAM CODE: 10-504-5



Associate Degree



**Location:** Downtown Milwaukee Campus, Oak Creek Campus

**Start Dates:** August and January

**Admission Requirements:** High school diploma or equivalent, and age 17 or older

**Financial Aid Eligible:** Yes. Use code 003866 at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov).

### Program Description

This program prepares you for employment in law enforcement at the local, state and federal levels, as well as in the field of private security. Successful completion of this program may qualify you to enroll in basic recruit training that leads to certification in Wisconsin.

### Career Outlook

Currently trained security professionals are in demand.

### Program Learning Outcomes

- Illustrate the interrelationships of the three core components of the criminal justice system.
- Analyze situational responses.
- Apply communication skills as a criminal justice professional.
- Conduct investigations.
- Examine the professional code of ethics for a criminal justice practitioner.
- Explore personal wellness strategies for the criminal justice professions.
- Explain the role of criminal justice professionals in working with diverse populations.



**Complete Program Details**

**QUESTIONS?** 414-570-4426 or [servepathway@matc.edu](mailto:servepathway@matc.edu)

COURSES	CREDITS
ENG-195	Written Communication ‡ ..... 3 (or) ENG-201 English 1 ‡
CJS-161	Ethics in Law Enforcement ..... 3
CJS-900	Introduction to Criminal Justice ..... 3
CJS-901	Constitutional Law..... 3
PSYCH-199	Psychology of Human Relations..... 3 (or) Any 200-level PSYCH course
ENG-196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication ‡ ..... 3 (or) Any 200-level ENG or SPEECH course
MATH-107	College Mathematics ‡ ..... 3 (or) Any 200-level MATH course
CJS-902	Criminal Law ‡ ..... 3
CJS-907	Community Policing Strategies..... 3
CJS-909	Introduction to Corrections ..... 3
ECON-195	Economics..... 3 (or) Any 200-level ECON course
CJS-160	Contemporary Legal Issues ..... 3
CJS-162	Sensitive Crimes..... 3
CJS-906	Criminal Investigation Theory ‡ ..... 3
SOCSCI-197	Contemporary American Society ..... 3 (or) Any 200-level SOCSCI course
ELECTIVES	(Three credits)..... 3
CJS-903	Professional Communications ‡ ..... 3
CJS-904	Juvenile Law ‡ ..... 3
CJS-905	Report Writing ‡ ..... 3
SOCSCI-172	Introduction to Diversity Studies..... 3 (or) Any 200-level SOCSCI course

### CREDITS

Total credits needed to complete this degree

**60**

‡ Prerequisite required.

Program curriculum requirements are subject to change.

Current MATC students should consult their Academic Program Plan for specific curriculum requirements.

MATC courses are offered in person, entirely online or partially online. Check each course's delivery options in Self-Service at [selfservice.matc.edu](https://selfservice.matc.edu).

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