***Crime Scene Investigation Certificate***

Justice is at the heart of the U.S. democratic system, yet today’s criminal justice system is facing increasingly complex issues, from human trafficking and terrorism to computer crimes and gang-related crimes. Professionals with careers within the criminal justice system are confronting these challenges daily; working to prevent and reduce crime, serve as positive role models, improve public safety, and serve their communities.

***Please see a Pathways Counselor:*** Create an education plan customized to meet your needs. [Contact a Counselor](https://www.msjc.edu/hub/)

Transfer Majors/Award Focus

* Administration of Justice, A.S.-T CSU/CSUSM
* Administration of Justice, A.S.
* Administration of Justice, Certificate
* Crime Scene Investigation, Certificate

GE Pattern/Units

* GE Pattern: n/a
* Total Units: 18

**Program maps** indicate the major coursework and recommended general education courses to fulfill your degree in 2 years (approximately 15 units/ semester or 30 units/year). If you are a part-time student, start Semester 1 courses and follow the course sequence. Some of the courses listed may be substituted by another course. Please view these options in the official course [catalog](https://catalog.msjc.edu/instructional-programs/).

***Semester 1 9 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | AJ-101 | Criminal Law | 3 |
| c | AJ-103 | Criminal Evidence | 3 |
| c | AJ-105 | Tactical Communication and Report Writing for Law Enforcement | 3 |

***Semester 2 9 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | AJ-108 | Criminal Investigation | 3 |
| c | AJ-124 | Introduction to Forensics for Law Enforcement | 3 |
| c | ANTH-201 | Introduction to Forensic Anthropology | 3 |

Recommended Prep: ENGL-101 and ANTH-101

Career Options

Lawyer, Judges (B, M+)

Police Officer, Deputy Sheriff (SM, A)

Corrections, Probation (SM, B+)

Find more careers: [msjc.emsicc.com](http://msjc.emsicc.com)

Required Education: SM: some college; C: Certificate; A: Associate, B: Bachelor’s, M: Master’s; D: Doctorate

Financial Aid

Financial aid is determined by the number of credit hours you take in a semester. Maximize your financial aid by taking 12-15 units per semester.

What’s New?

Check out our new crime scene forensics lab, use-of-force and driving simulators, and coming soon virtual reality (VR) de-escalation technology.