

# LAW ENFORCEMENT/ FORENSIC SCIENCE

Student Pathway Opportunity

## PLAN OF STUDY

### 1st Year

Intro Law Public Safety  
Corrections & Security

### 2nd Year

Criminal Justice Essentials

### 3rd Year

Forensics & Criminal  
Investigations

### Industry Certification:

SkillsUSA Criminal  
Justice/CSI assessment

## DO YOU WANT TO WORK TO KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY SAFE?

Law, public safety, corrections and security workers plan, manage, and provide legal, public safety, and security and protective services.

Occupations fall into major categories based on common knowledge and skills: correction services such as correctional officers and jailers; emergency and fire management services such as fire fighters, EMTs, paramedics, and public safety communications; security and protective services such as information security IT specialists; law enforcement such as criminal investigators, police officers, special agents, and legal services such as court reporters or lawyers.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Detective
- Deputy Sheriff
- FBI Special Agent
- Fire Investigator
- Forensic Science Tech
- Bloodstain Pattern Analyst
- Forensics Ballistics Expert
- Polygraph

## POST SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES

- Continue education by enrolling at one of the University System of Georgia institutions, such as University of Georgia, Dalton State or Kennesaw State.
- Continue education by enrolling in a Program of Study at one of the Technical College System of Georgia institutions, such as North Georgia Technical College, Lanier Technical College or Georgia Northwestern Technical College.
- Continue education and training in the US Military.
- Students at The Dalton Academy may earn high school course credits while taking college courses through Georgia's dual-credit program, Move on When Ready. These college courses are free to Georgia students and do not diminish the availability of HOPE Scholarship funds after graduation. Benefits of enrolling in Dual Enrollment courses include graduating from college early, reducing the total cost of college, and potentially earning college certificates or degrees while still in high school. Students at The Dalton Academy typically take dual enrollment classes at Dalton State College and/or Georgia Northwestern Technical College.

## POTENTIAL SALARIES

Sample job specialties with the required education and salaries in Georgia:

Occupation Specialties	Entry Level	2012 Wage	Annual Jobs Avail
Detectives/Criminal Investigator	Bachelor's	\$45,600	160
Police/Sheriff's Patrol Officer	Some college/ no degree	\$37,400	710
Forensic Science Technicians	Bachelor's	\$28,400	10

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### Georgia Bureau of Investigation

<https://gbi.georgia.gov/services/law-enforcement-links>

### U.S. Department of Justice

<https://www.justice.gov/olp/forensic-science>

### Criminal Justice Degree Schools

<https://www.criminaljusticedegreeschools.com/>

