

# Law and Public Service Career Cluster

The Law and Public Service Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing legal services, public safety, protective services, and homeland security, including professional and technical support services. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of police, courts, corrections, private security, and fire and emergency services.

## Law Enforcement Statewide Program of Study



The Law Enforcement program of study teaches CTE learners about the development of, adherence to, and protection of various branches of law. Students will learn how to appropriately and legally respond to breaches in the law according to statutory rules and regulations as well as investigate how and why the breaches occurred.

### Secondary Courses for High School Credit

#### Level 1

- Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

#### Level 2

- Law Enforcement I

#### Level 3

- Law Enforcement II
- Correctional Services

#### Level 4

- Counseling and Mental Health
- Forensic Science
- Practicum in Law, Public Safety Corrections, and Security

### Postsecondary Opportunities

#### Associates Degrees

- Criminal Justice/Safety Studies/Law
- Enforcement Administration
- Criminal Justice/Police Science
- Corrections
- Criminalistics and Criminal Science

#### Bachelor's Degrees

- Criminal Justice/Safety Studies/Law
- Enforcement Administration
- Criminal Justice/Police Science
- Juvenile Corrections
- Cyber/Computer Forensics and Counterterrorism

#### Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Criminal Justice/Safety Studies/Law
- Enforcement Administration
- Natural Resources
- Law Enforcement and Protective Services

### Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

#### Exploration Activities

- Join the Texas Public Service Association or local criminal justice clubs

#### Work-Based Learning Activities

- Attend court hearings and other legal procedures

### Industry-Based Certifications

- Non-Commissioned Security Officer Level II



### Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	\$60,112	5,241	13%
Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Officers	\$44,054	793	9%
Correctional Officers and Jailers	\$40,186	4,683	9%
Immigration and Customs Inspectors	\$78,104	1,236	9%
First-Line Supervisors of Police and Detectives	\$91,312	253	25%

Successful completion of the Law and Public Service program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Service endorsement. Revised – August 2022

# Law Enforcement Course Information

## Level 1

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13029200 (1 credit)	None	None

## Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Law Enforcement I	13029300 (1 credit)	None	None

## Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Law Enforcement II	13029400 (1 credit)	None	None
Correctional Services	13029700 (1 credit)	None	None

## Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Forensic Science	13029500 (1 credit)	Biology and Chemistry	None
Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13030100 (2 credits) 13030105 (3 credits) 13030110 (2 credits) 13030115 (3 credits)	None	None

**A student completes the program of study by passing three or more course for a total of four or more credits within a program of study, including one level three or level four course from within the same program of study.**

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