Academy of Public Services

Career Cluster: Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security

Program Strands: Forensic Science and Crime Scene Investigation

Students who choose a career in Forensic Science and Crime Scene Investigation apply of a broad spectrum of sciences to answer questions of interest to the legal system which may be in relation to a crime or to a civil action.

Secondary Career Academy Development Timetable (academy classes are listed in bold type)

Pre-Academy Grades 6 – 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
6 th grade—Middle Moves 7 th grade—Career Preparation Requirement 8 th grade—Transition Tools Exploration of Criminal Justice 890022001	English I	English II	English III	English IV
	Algebra or higher	Geometry or higher	Algebra II or higher	Pre-calculus or Other Mathematics Course
	Earth & Space Science or Biology	Biology or Chemistry	Chemistry or Physics or Physical Science	Science Elective or Other Elective
	World History	Elective	American History	American Government / Economics
	9 th Grade Transition	Foreign Language or Other Elective	Foreign Language or Other Elective	Foreign Language or Other Elective
	Criminal Justice Operations 1 891801001	Criminal Justice Operations 2 891802001	Criminal Justice Operations 3 891803001	Public Service Education Directed Study 890010001
	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective

Suggested Electives:

- Students may in their Junior or Senior year opt to participate in the Career Experience Opportunity (CEO) internship program using the following course numbers: Workplace Essentials 83003101A (Honors .5) and CEO internship 0500330CE (Honors .5).
- Students may complete more than one program within the Academy of Law & Criminal Justice providing courses are offered at the school site.
- In addition, students can choose to enroll in AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics, Zoology, Botany, Anthropology, Introduction to Social Services, Voluntary Public Service, Leadership, Psychology, and AP Psychology classes to enhance their marketability.

To find a Miami-Dade County Public High School with this Program Strand, please link to http://ssr.dadeschools.net/acad_tally_schls.pdf.

Internship Opportunities	Student Organizations / Clubs	Earn Upon Completion
Academy Internship Cooperative Education Job Shadowing School-Based Enterprise Service Learning Dual Enrollment Portal to CEO	 DARE Local school Criminal Justice Club Florida Public Service Association (FPSA) Police Explorers Club 	 Industry Title & FLDOE OCP's correlated to the individual areas. For more information on the Florida Department of Education Bright Futures Scholarship Programs: Florida Academic Scholars Award (FAS), Florida Medallion Scholars Award (FMS), and Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars Award (GSV) please contact a guidance counselor or visit: http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/factsheets/BF.htm. For more information about TECH PREP Articulation Agreements with local colleges, please contact your guidance counselor.

POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS

Certification Programs	Community College (A.A./A.S.) or Proprietary Programs	Four-Year College and University Programs	
TSA Certifications National Court Reporting Association Certifications	Registered Professional Reporting Criminal Investigating Forensic Photography Miami Dade College Law and Criminal Justice Programs Hillsborough Community College Emergency Community College Criminal Justice Broward Community College Criminal Justice Broward Community College Criminal Justice Programs	 Chemistry Biology Pre-Medicine Criminal Justice Entomology Anthropology Zoology Botany Sociology University of Central Florida Criminal Justice Florida Memorial University Criminal Justice Programs University of Miami Criminal Justice Programs FIU Criminal Justice Programs 	

CAREER OPTIONS

Entry Level		After Post-Secondary Education	
 Public Service Aide Forensic Material Specialist Ballistics Specialist 	 Forensic Investigations Assistant Forensic Photography Assistant Crime Laboratory Analyst 	Latent/Fingerprint Examiner Forensic Chemist Forensic Dentist Forensic Geneticist	 Criminal Investigator Medical Examiner Crime Scene Examiner Forensic Engineer