

Criminal Justice Technology Program
Department Experiential Learning Policy

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Certified Law Enforcement Officers

Law enforcement officers who have completed 400 or more hours of basic training and are certified as a law enforcement officer by a local, state, or federal government agency or a branch of the military will receive transfer credit for the following Stanly Community College courses: CJC-121, CJC-131, CJC 132, CJC-213, CJC-221, and CJC-231. The training must have been completed through a community college, a police academy, or other formal training facility or program that is recognized and accepted by the governmental agency that awards the certification as a sworn law enforcement officer or agent. It is the responsibility of the student requesting the credit to provide Stanly Community College with official documentation of the completed training in the form of an official transcript or certified training record, including the date of employment as a sworn law enforcement officer. Law enforcement officers who received less than 400 hours of training may be considered for academic credit on a pro-rata basis. Please note: Courses given as transfer credit at Stanly Community College based on experiential learning are awarded the grade of "TC." The grade of "TC" is not transferable to another college or university even if the course awarded is a part of the state's comprehensive articulation agreement.

Certified Correctional Officers

Correctional officers who have completed the NC Department of Public Safety Basic Correctional Officers Training Course will receive credit for the following Stanly Community College courses: CJC 141, CJC 225, and CJC 232. It is the responsibility of the student requesting the credit to provide Stanly Community College with appropriate documentation of the completed training in the form of an official transcript or certified training record, including the date of employment as a correctional officer. Correctional officers who have completed a duly-accredited Correctional Officers Training Course out of state of at least 48 hours will receive credit for the following Stanly Community College Course: CJC 141. Please note: Courses given as transfer credit at Stanly Community College based on experiential learning are awarded the grade of "TC." The grade of "TC" is not transferable to another college or university even if the course awarded is a part of the state's comprehensive articulation agreement.

Certified Detention Officers

Detention officers who have completed 150 or more hours of basic training and are certified by a local, state, or federal government agency or a branch of the military will receive transfer credit for the following Stanly Community College courses: CJC 141, CJC 225, and CJC 232. The training must have been completed through a community college or other formal training facility or program that is recognized and accepted by the governmental agency that awards the certification as a detention officer. It is the responsibility of the student requesting the credit to provide Stanly Community College with appropriate documentation of the completed training in the form of an official transcript or certified training record, including the date of employment as a detention officer. Please note: Courses given as transfer credit at Stanly Community College based on experiential learning are awarded the grade of "TC." The grade of "TC" is not transferable to another college or university even if the course awarded is a part of the state's comprehensive articulation agreement.

Service Related Experience and Training

Students who have been employed as a full-time certified law enforcement, correctional, or detention officer for a local, state, or federal agency or branch of military may be considered for transfer credit for these specific courses if the student meets the following criteria:

CJC 113, Juvenile Justice. At least three years assigned full-time as a School Resource Officer (SRO), three years assigned as a detective with a primary responsibility for juvenile/youth crimes, juvenile detention or corrections counselor, and documentation of 40 hours or more of specialized training from a college or certified training academy in juvenile crime and delinquency issues.

Documentation required:

- A letter on agency letterhead from a supervisor stating the number of years assigned full-time to one of the above-described juvenile positions AND

- Documentation of at least 40 hours of juvenile-related specialized training

CJC 215, Organization and Administration. At least three years of experience in a criminal justice agency supervisory or management position and documentation of 40 hours or more of specialized training from a community college or certified training academy in supervision or management.

Documentation required:

- A letter on agency letterhead from a supervisor stating the number of years assigned full-time to the above-described supervisory or management position AND
- Documentation of at least 40 hours of supervisory or management-related specialized training

CJC 222, Criminalistics. At least three years of full-time experience as a detective or crime scene investigator and have documentation of 40 or more hours of formal specialized training in forensics and/or evidence analysis techniques through a college or certified training academy. Or certified as a traffic crash reconstructionist/advanced traffic crash investigator and assigned to traffic investigation responsibilities.

Documentation required:

- A letter on agency letterhead from a supervisor stating the number of years assigned full-time to the above-described detective or crime scene investigator position or verifying assignment to traffic investigation responsibilities.
- Documentation of at least 40 hours of forensic and/or evidence analysis techniques-related specialized training. In the case of a traffic crash reconstructionist/advanced traffic crash investigator, a copy of their 80-hour Traffic Crash Reconstruction or Advanced Traffic Crash Investigation certificates.

CJC 225, Crisis Intervention. At least three years certified as a hostage negotiator.

Documentation required:

- A letter on agency letterhead from a supervisor stating at least three years certified as a hostage negotiator AND
- Documentation of completion of 40-hour Basic Hostage and Crisis Negotiations course

Students who are correctional or detention officers and were enrolled under a catalog prior to 2018, who have been employed full-time for a local, state, or federal agency or branch of the military may be considered for transfer credit for these specific courses if the student meets the following criteria:

CJC 215, Organization and Administration. Completion of 150 or more hours of basic training and documentation of certification by a local, state or federal government agency or a branch of the military.

Documentation required:

- A letter on agency letterhead from a supervisor detailing the dates employed as a correctional or detention officer
- Documentation indicating completion of 150 or more hours of basic correctional or detention officer training.

COM 231, Public Speaking. Based on a review of the NC Justice Academy Instructor Training requirements by Communications, English, and Criminal Justice faculty, students enrolled in the Criminal Justice Program may receive credit for the COM 231 Public Speaking course upon meeting all the following requirements:

- Successful completion of the 90+ hour North Carolina Justice Academy Instructor Training course; to include:
- Completion of all course-mandated presentations
- Successful completion of the North Carolina General Instructor State Examination with a score of 75 or higher.
- Must have applied for probationary status and taught a minimum of 8 hours of instruction in a Commission approved course.
- Submission of an evaluation form signed by a certified School Director or In-service Training Coordinator.
- Submission of an application for certification to the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education & Training Standards Commission, as demonstrated by having held a North Carolina General Instructor Certification.
- Students must have at least 3 years of experience as a General Instructor.

Documentation Required:

- A copy of the General Instructor Certification issued by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education & Training Standards Commission that includes the student's NC Instructor number, type of certification, and dates of certification.

Procedure for Awarding Credit

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Students are responsible for having official transcripts and/or other required documentation sent to Student Records Department for evaluation. The Curriculum Registrar will evaluate the information and award credit.