

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN MODERN POLICING (AS)

This degree prepares students for entry-level employment and/or potential further study in the field of Administration of Justice: Law Enforcement through the study of criminal law, laws of evidence, report writing, etc. Students will acquire knowledge necessary for advanced academic studies.

Program Outcomes

- Identify and explain foundational criminal justice concepts associated with procedural, substantive, and evidence law.
- Identify and explain the structure and function of the American criminal justice system – law enforcement, corrections, and courts.
- Explain the importance of developing and maintaining proper professional criminal justice standards of ethical behavior.
- Explain the importance of developing and cultivating effective police-community relations with a myriad of different communities inclusive of cultural customs, beliefs, and life styles.

Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of this degree, students will be prepared for careers or employment in the following fields: local municipal police departments, county sheriff's departments, and private investigative agencies. At the state level, employment opportunities exist with the California Highway Patrol, Department of Alcoholic Beverage, Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Fish and Game, Department of Justice, etc. Note: All law enforcement agencies have specific employment and training requirements, beyond academic achievement.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
GENERAL EDUCATION		34
California-General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)		
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REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES		44
AJ 011	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
AJ 013	Community Relations	3
AJ 014	Criminal Law 1	3
AJ 112	Legal Aspects of Evidence	3
or AJ 113	Juvenile Laws & Procedures	
or AJ 118	Criminal Investigation	
ART 004	Art of Ancient America: Mesoamerica	3
or ART 005	Art of Ancient America: South America	
CHLD 042	Child, Family, and Community *	3
COMM C1000	Introduction to Public Speaking *	3
COMM 009	Intercultural Communication	3
ENGL C1000	Academic Reading and Writing *	4
ENGL C1001	Critical Thinking and Writing *	3
ETHN 010	Introduction to Ethnic Studies and Social Justice Studies *	3
PHIL 005	Introduction to Ethics *	3
PSYC 005	Social Psychology *	3
STAT C1000	Introduction to Statistics *	4

or SSCI 025	Statistics - Social Sciences
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ELECTIVES	6
Select additional transferable courses numbered 1-199 to achieve 60 units	
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TOTAL	60

* Course(s) meets General Education requirement and 24 units may be double counted above in Cal-GETC.

The Associate Degree requirements include completion of the:

1. Required major courses and elective courses with a "C" or better grade in each course (required courses may be substituted with the approval of the Division Chair),
2. General Education Requirements,
3. A minimum of 60 units of degree applicable courses numbered 1-199, at least 12 of which must be taken in residence at College of the Sequoias, with a "C" (2.0) average (see Associate Degree Requirements (<https://catalog.cos.edu/associate-degreerequirements/>) for additional details).