CRIMINAL JUSTICE

DESCRIPTIONS
The Criminal Justice Program studies the activities and operations of law enforcement agencies, the courts and correctional agencies. The public and social policy implications associated with operating the criminal justice system are also explored. Criminal Justice careers offer individuals a rewarding opportunity to serve the public, safeguard constitutional rights and actively meet the needs of the community. Upon completion of the program, students will be prepared to work in a variety of fields, including law enforcement, investigations, courts, corrections, private security, law and juvenile justice.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS
An Associate Degree, depending on the focus of study, is designed to prepare students for transfer into upper division course work in a bachelor’s degree program, or, to prepare students to enter the workforce in a particular vocational field. To qualify for an Associate's Degree, a student must: (1) complete each major-specific course required for the degree with at least a “C” grade or better, (2) complete all Cuesta College general education, graduation and residency requirements, and (3) achieve an overall grade point average of 2.0 for all courses attempted (major, general education, elective).

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES & AWARDS
• Associate in Arts for Transfer (A.A.-T.)
• Associate in Arts (A.A.)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
• Correctional Personnel
• Law Enforcement Officer
• Nonprofit Agencies
• Parole/Probation Officer
• Victim's Advocate
• Youth Correctional Facility

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at Cuesta College. Information for each certificate program can be found by following this link: www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid/gainfulemployment

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER PROGRAM

Administration of Justice — Associate in Arts for Transfer

Required Courses (6 credits)
CJ 202 .... Introduction To Criminal Justice ...............3
CJ 206 .... Concepts Of Criminal Law ...................3

List A: Select any TWO of the following courses (6 credits)
CJ 204 .... Principles And Procedures Of The Justice System ........ 3
CJ 208 .... Legal Aspects Of Evidence ................3
CJ 210 .... Principles Of Investigation ..................3
CJ 224 .... Community, Diversity And The Justice System ........ 3
CJ 228 .... Introduction To Corrections ................3

List B: Select any TWO of the following courses (6-7 credits) Units
Any course not selected from List A
SOC 201A .... Introduction To Sociology ...................3
PSYC 201 .... Introductory Psychology ...................3
MATH 236 .... Introduction To Applied Statistics ...........3
or
MATH 247 .... Introduction To Statistics ..................4

Total Units ................................................................. 18 - 19

"P" (Pass) grade is acceptable for major coursework in the Associate Degrees for Transfer. In addition to major preparation course work listed above, completion of the CSU GE or IGETC pattern is mandatory. Courses completed for the major can also be double counted towards GE, where appropriate. See a counselor for details.

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

Criminal Justice — Associate in Arts

Students must pass all classes with a grade of “C” or better.
A minimum of 12 credits in Criminal Justice must be earned at Cuesta College.

Required Courses (26 credits)
CJ 202 .... Introduction To Criminal Justice ...............3
CJ 204 .... Principles And Procedures Of The Justice System ........ 3
CJ 206 .... Concepts Of Criminal Law ...................3
CJ 208 .... Legal Aspects Of Evidence ................3
CJ 210 .... Principles Of Investigation ..................3
CJ 213 .... Patrol Procedures .........................3
CJ 224 .... Community, Diversity And The Justice System ........ 3
CJ 226 .... Investigative Report Writing ................2
CJ 228 .... Introduction To Corrections ................3

Total Units ................................................................. 26

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TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree may differ from those needed to prepare to transfer. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with a Cuesta College counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

TRANSFER RESOURCES:
CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine:
www.ASSIST.org
CSU System Information:
www2.calstate.edu

FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that Cuesta College offers a full array of financial aid programs—grants, work study, scholarships, federal loan programs, and fee waivers. These programs are available to both full-and part-time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information:
www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid