



SUNY NIAGARA

Public Safety, A.A.S.

Overview

The Public Safety AAS degree is designed to establish a pathway from the academic discipline of criminal justice to the practice of policing in New York State. The program combines instruction in fundamental criminal justice principles and educates students in how those principles are implemented in a policing context. Half of the program consists of the 30-credit Law Enforcement Training Academy. While students are not restricted from entering the program based on age, it should be noted that there are age restrictions for appointment as a Police Officer.

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<https://sunyniagara.edu/courses/public-safety-a-a-s/>

<https://tinyurl.com/4xt793my>

Program Requirements

First Semester

Credits

CRJ 103 - Introduction to Corrections	3
CRJ 201 – Criminology	3
ANT 102 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3
SOC 101 - Introduction to Sociology	3
ENG 101 - Writing I	3

Total Credit Hours:	15 Cr.
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Second Semester

ENG 102 - Writing II	3
CRJ 302 - Issues in Criminal Justice	3
____ - Mathematics & Quantitative Reasoning (MATH) General Education Elective	3
PSY 110 - Introduction to Psychology	3
CRJ ____ - Criminal Justice elective	3
ANT 230 - Forensic Anthropology	3

Total Credit Hours:	18 Cr.
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Third Semester

PBT 100 – Laws of the State of New York	3
PBT 105 – Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
PBT 110 – Physical Fitness for Law Enforcement	3
PBT 115 – Police Traffic Procedures	3
PBT 120 – Police Defensive Tactics	3
Total Credit Hours:	15 Cr.

Fourth Semester

PBT 125 – Emergency Medical Services	3
PBT 130 – Police Patrol Skills	3
PBT 135 – Police Community Services	3
PBT 140 – Police Investigations	3
PBT 145 – Crisis Intervention Skills and Wellness	3
Total Credit Hours:	15 Cr.

The information provided is subject to change throughout the academic year. 3/10/2026