

Minnesota

Articulated College Credit Agreement

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Articulated College Credit (ACC) Agreement:

Through Articulated College Credit (ACC), specific college curriculum content goals, learning outcomes, and assessments are embedded in participating high school career and technical education (CTE) programs as specified in this agreement. Relevant knowledge, skills, and standards are taught by qualified CTE high school instructor(s) in one or more high school course. ACC is awarded if the student meets the college equivalency standards and later enrolls in the college(s) listed below requiring the course in a specific program.

Agreement Name: Criminal Justice
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These credits are valid for students in grades 10-12 for 5 years from the completion of this course.

College	College Course	College Program	Articulated College Credit
Alexandria Technical & Community College	PTE 1500 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	*Police Training & Education (A.A.S. – 72 cr.) *Peace Officer/Public Safety Transfer Pathway (A.S.– 68 cr.) *Police Training & Education Career Transition (Diploma – 38 cr.)	3 credits of 3 total credits
Hennepin Technical College	SOCI 1500 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	*Peace Officer & Public Safety (A.S. – 68 cr.)	3 credits of 3 total credits
Normandale Community College	SOC 2130 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	*Criminal Justice Transfer Pathway (A.S. – 60 cr.) *Peace Officer/Public Safety Transfer Pathway (A.S.– 68 cr.) *Peace Officer (Cert. – 26 cr.) *Sociology (A.A. – Emphasis in Sociology – 60 cr.)	3 credits of 3 total credits
Rochester Community & Technical College	CRJU 1305 – Introduction to Criminal Justice	*Criminal Justice Transfer Pathway (A.S.– 68 cr.)	3 credits of 3 total credits
	POFC 1305 – Introduction to Peace Officers & the Criminal Justice System	*Peace Office/Public Safety Transfer Pathway (68 cr.) *Peace Officer (A.A.S. – 60 cr.) *Police Training & Education Career Transition (Diploma – 38 cr.)	3 credits of 3 total credits

Course Description:

This course provides an overview of the criminal justice system. It includes the historical development of law enforcement as well as an exploration of the components of the criminal justice system and the functions, jurisdictions, and interrelationships of various law enforcement agencies.

Content Goals:

100% of the curriculum content goals will be covered in the high school course(s) by qualified CTE high school instructor(s).

To receive credit, students will master of the following content goals:

1. Crime and the Criminal Justice System in the United States
2. Nature of Crime and Victimization
3. Crime statistics commonly used
4. Criminal and constitutional law issues
5. History of Policing
6. Organization, role, and function of policing
7. Community oriented policing/Problem solving policing
8. Organization, role, and function of courts
9. The criminal prosecution process
10. Prosecution and defense attorneys
11. History of corrections
12. Organization, role, and function of jails and prisons
13. Probation and parole; community-based corrections
14. Determinate and indeterminate sentencing models
15. Juvenile Justice System
16. Minnesota POST Board requirements

Learning Outcomes (General):

The student will be able to:

1. Understand the Criminal Justice System
2. Understand the Nature of Crime and Victimization
3. Understand Crime Statistics commonly used
4. Recall the History and Organization of Police in Society
5. Identify Principles of Community Oriented Policing
6. Recognize and discuss issues relating to policing
7. Understand Criminal Prosecution process
8. Understand the organization and structure of courts
9. Understand theories of Punishment & Sentencing
10. Recall history of corrections
11. Understand the Juvenile Justice System in Minnesota
12. Increase competency in critical thinking & writing skills

Course Assessments:

Project based assessment with an **80% or higher**.

Pass written unit tests with an **80% or higher**.

*Special Note for Articulated College Credit at Alexandria Technical College: To receive the articulated college credit, a student must earn “B” grade which requires a score of 85% or better.

Suggested Projects - Optional (List Developed by Teachers/Faculty Attending ACC Mtgs.)

Current event discussions – Discuss & debate issues

Who? What? Where? = Interview & Interrogation

Paper – Writing in complete sentences

In class writing assignments

Cold Case File: (e.g. Zodiac Killer) - Students receive a file of evidence, witness statements etc.

Create Your Own Crime Scene: - Write paper & Draw diagram

Journal - Based on reflection questions

Supreme Court Cases - Each student is assigned a case and does a case brief; cases are grouped by area and presented

Criminals in History- Focus on common threads of criminals

Crime Scene Dioramas - Shoe box: students can use paint, play dough, cotton balls, stick people, etc.

Crime Photo Hunt - Create a live crime scene OR students must interview witnesses

Crime Scene Investigation: Fake wounds, etc.

Domestic Violence Scenarios: Use house that your carpentry department built

Mock Trials

I-Spy game

3-5 minute podcast speaking on “criminal justice today”

www.forensics.rice.edu - CSI online game

www.policeone.com

Recommended Industry-Recognized Certification Or Comprehensive Assessment

	Certificate/Assessment	Vendor
High School	Introduction to Criminal Justice – Minnesota	NOCTI www.nocti.org
College	Minnesota Peace Officer Licensing Exam	Minnesota Peace Officer Standards & Training (POST) Board https://dps.mn.gov/entity/post/exams