

Criminal Justice: Corrections

Protect and serve in an honorable career



SJVC's Criminal Justice: Corrections (CJC) program prepares graduates for a career in Corrections. The program includes instruction in criminal law, evidence collection and preservation, report writing, institutional corrections, defensive tactics, and physical agility training. Many graduates initially find work in security and develop entry-level work experience while they pursue employment as a correctional officer.

Students Learn

- Firearms use
- Arrest/control techniques
- Weaponless defense
- Courtroom procedures
- Criminal & civil law
- CPR & first aid

Professional Certifications

Graduates earn an Associate of Science degree, and the following certifications: Standards and Training for Corrections (STC) Adult Core Academy, which includes 8-hour Baton; and, Bureau of Security and Investigative Services (BSIS) certified training in Powers to Arrest, Weapons of Mass Destruction, Firearms, Baton, Chemical Agents, Public Relations, Observations and Documentation, Communications and its Significance, and, Liability and Legal Aspects – resulting in (BSIS) Security Guard Card and (BSIS) Security Guard Exposed Weapons permits.

Career Information

Upon completion of the Corrections program, many graduates first find work in Security, while some graduates go directly to work in Corrections.

Security and Loss Prevention Officers can expect to:

- Answer alarms and investigate disturbances
- Guard premises to prevent theft, violence, and breaking of laws and rules
- Monitor and authorize entry or exit of visitors, patrons or employees

Detention and Correctional Officers can expect to:

- Maintain security in buildings, towers and other areas of an adult correctional facility
- Intervene during emergencies or altercations within a correctional facility
- Escort/transport offenders

Admission Requirements

Admission to the CJC program requires:

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Passing score in Admissions assessment
- U.S. Citizenship
- No felony criminal convictions
- No misdemeanor convictions that would prohibit applicant from possessing a firearm
- No legal conditions that would prohibit applicant from possessing a firearm
- Valid California driver license
- Applicant must be in good health and physically fit
- Applicant must be age 18 by program start date



Enrollment in the Criminal Justice: Corrections program is subject to the approval of the CJC Program Director or their designee. Applicants must have reliable plans for transportation, child care and time to devote to academic work outside of scheduled class hours.

Course Listing		
Course ID	Course Name	Credit Units
CJ 4	Criminal Law	3.0
CJ 14	Juvenile Law and Procedures	3.0
CJ 60-A	Adult Corrections Officer Core Course	15.0
CJ 63	BSIS Security Officer Academy	5.0
CO 2	Introduction to Administration of Justice	3.0
CO 3	Criminal Procedures	3.0
CO 5	Community and Human Relations	3.0
CO 8	Introduction to Investigation	3.0
CO 10	Writing for Criminal Justice	3.0
CO 20-A	Introduction to Corrections	3.0
ENG 121	Composition and Reading - Part A	3.0
ENG 122	Composition and Reading - Part B	3.0
MTH 121	College Algebra - Part A	3.0
MTH 122	College Algebra - Part B	3.0
NSC 1	Introduction to the Natural Sciences	3.0
PHIL 1C	Ethics	3.0
PSY 1	General Psychology	3.0
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology	3.0
A.S. Degree Program Total		68.0

SJVC classes are offered Monday through Thursday in the morning, afternoon and evening.

Class Schedule
Monday - Thursday
Morning Session: 7:15am-12:00pm
Afternoon Session: 12:30pm-5:15pm
Evening Session: 5:30pm-10:15pm

NOTE: Sessions vary by program and campus and are subject to seat availability.

Visit sjvc.edu for more information on other program offerings and campus locations.

Antelope Valley Campus (Lancaster)
42135 10th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93534
661.974.8282

Consumer Information	
	A.S. Degree
Program Length	60 weeks
Tuition and Fees	\$34,100
Estimated Textbook Cost	\$475
<i>Data for Graduates on all SJVC Campuses between 7/1/14 and 6/30/15</i>	
Graduate Median Loan Debt	
Title IV HEA Loans	\$20,000
Private Loans	\$249
Institutional Loans	\$279
On-Time Completion Rate	58%
<i>Graduate Placement Rate</i>	
Because of the change in the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education's reporting regulations, which became effective on July 14, 2016, this institution was not required to collect the data for its 2015 and prior graduates.	
Occupations for Graduate Placement ¹	
Correctional Officers and Jailers (33-3012.00) Retail Loss Prevention Specialists (33-9099.02) Security Guards (33-9032.00) Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093.00)	

¹Visit <http://www.onetcodeconnector.org> and enter the reference number for complete details

Institutional Accreditation

San Joaquin Valley College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, (415) 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at: www.accjc.org

California State Approval

SJVC is a private institution and is approved to operate as an accredited institution by the California Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). Approval to operate means that SJVC has been found in compliance with the standards set forth in the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 (California Education Code, Title 3, Division 10, Part 59, Chapter 8) and Title 5, Division 7.5 – Private Postsecondary Education of the California Code of Regulations.

