

FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR - LEVEL ONE CERTIFICATE

The Forensic Investigator Certificate prepares students for entry-level roles in criminal and civil investigations by providing a strong foundation in forensic science, investigative procedures, and evidence handling. This program emphasizes crime scene processing, evidence collection and preservation, forensic documentation, report writing, and courtroom testimony. Students gain practical knowledge in areas such as fingerprint analysis, forensic photography, chain of custody procedures, and investigative ethics. Designed for individuals seeking careers in law enforcement, private investigation, or related fields, the certificate equips graduates with the technical skills and professional standards required in modern forensic investigations.

Stackable Credentials

- Associate of Applied Science - Criminal Justice (<http://coursecatalog.com.edu/catalog/areas-of-study/public-safety/criminal-justice-aas/#fulltimescheduletext>)
- Certificate - Forensic Investigator (p. 1)

Full-Time Schedule

Course	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Semester #1		
CJLE 1327	Interviewing and Report Writing for Criminal Justice Professions	3
CJSA 1348	Ethics in Criminal Justice	3
Select from one of the following:		3
CJSA 1327	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	
CRIJ 1310	Fundamentals of Criminal Law ¹	
CJSA 2332	Criminalistics III	3
CJSA 1401	Death Investigations II	4
Semester Credit Hours		16
Total Semester Credit Hours		16

¹ Course(s) listed in the Texas Common Course Numbering System (<https://tcns.org/institution/id:14/yid:19/>)