

Police Science

The following curriculum is specific to MSP trooper candidates enrolled in the Police Science degree program through the MSP Academy.

Course	Credits
English	
EN 101 English Composition	3
Mathematics	
Intermediate Algebra Review	Pass/Fail
MA 103 Fundamentals of Math	3
Arts & Humanities	
CMSP 103 Speech Fundamentals	3
Biological & Physical Science	
BI 130 Forensic Biology (with lab course)	4
Social & Behavioral Sciences	
‡ SO 102 Social Problems	3
Interdisciplinary & Emerging Issues	
HE 201 Stress Management	3
PE 154 Fitness for Living	3
Professional Course Requirements	
CJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 106 Police-Community Relations	3
CJ 110 Criminal Law	3
CJ 204 Police Operational Services	3
CJ 212 Criminalistics	4
CJ 214 The Correctional Process	3
CJ 220 Criminal Evidence and Procedure	3
CJ 221 Police Defense Tactics	5
CJ 222 Police Arsenal and Procedures	5
CJ 223 Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC)	3
SO 201 Criminology	3
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Courses in bold satisfy general education requirements.

‡ These courses fulfill the cultural competence graduation requirement.

All degree-seeking students must complete a Cultural Competency course in order to graduate. This course may satisfy another requirement in your program.

 Frederick Community College

Police Science for Maryland State Police



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Associate of Applied Science **Police Science**



The nature of modern society requires much more than a technical approach to police work; it requires the law enforcement officer to have a greater understanding of human behavior and how to deal with it. This program provides both components of that training.

Program Objectives

A degree in Police Science prepares a Maryland State Trooper* to function as an entry-level trooper upon graduation and provides opportunities for advancement. Graduates of this degree program may also transfer the credits earned to many four-year institutions in Maryland leading toward the completion of a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice.

Program

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Police Science is presented to trooper candidates through a partnership between Frederick Community College and the Maryland State Police. This program has been developed to assist MSP in its effort to develop a highly professional police force.

The Police Science program is open to any trooper candidate employed by the Maryland Department of State Police and enrolled in the MSP Academy. This program integrates general education coursework with the major components of the criminal justice process learned while attending the Police Academy.

A specialized instructional program has been created for the MSP in which a trooper candidate completes one non-credit Algebra review course; 19 required general education credits; and, 41 police science/criminal justice credits during their Academy training in accordance with the Maryland Police Training Commission (MPTC). FCC instructors teach the candidates the required general education coursework in a face-to-face classroom setting in the evenings during the Academy and for four weeks after graduation.

Growth Potential and Job Opportunities

The mission of Frederick Community College is to prepare students to meet the challenges of a diverse, global society through quality, accessible, innovative, lifelong learning. The ever-growing population of our state requires increasing numbers of law enforcement officers to be skilled at problem-solving, conflict resolution, and diversity awareness. The key to creating and maintaining this type of professional trooper is continued education.

Tuition/Transferability

All of the tuition, fees and books are paid in full by the Maryland State Police. Veterans are eligible for VA benefits while enrolled in the Academy and during the time they take FCC general education courses.

Frederick Community College is fully accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. This program also has articulation agreements in place with several four-year institutions such as the University of Maryland–University College, Mount St. Mary's University, Frostburg State University, and the American Public University Systems (APUS).

Faculty

The criminal justice courses taught during the Police Academy are taught by MSP instructors. All general education courses taught during the Academy and after graduation are taught by FCC faculty credentialed at the master's or doctorate level. All are experts in the respective field they teach and take a personal interest in preparing Maryland State Troopers in meeting the challenges of serving the citizens of Maryland.

For more information on the A.A.S. degree program in Police Science, contact:

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** This program is for **Maryland State Police trooper candidates** only.*

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