Criminal Justice

Job Responsibilities:

- Police officers and criminal investigators investigate crimes, collect evidence, prepare reports, interview victims, interrogate suspects, make arrests, and testify in court.

- Police officers and criminal investigators must have excellent problem solving skills, know criminal law, possess listening, writing, interviewing and decision making skills.

This is the program for YOU!

In the Criminal Justice Program at Shawnee Community College, you will gain an understanding of the basic knowledge of criminal justice as it pertains to criminal behavior, psychology, sociology, police ethics, forensic science, corrections, private security, criminal investigation, and juvenile justice. This program will prepare you for immediate employment as a police officer with some departments, or help you further your education at a 4-year institution in criminal justice. A college education will open the door to many professional career opportunities and may help you earn rank faster.
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Credential Opportunities at SCC

**AAS Degree** (Associate of Applied Science)
This is a 2+2 program which will transfer into the Criminal Justice-Law Enforcement or Corrections Option program at SEMO.

This program will also transfer into the Criminology and Criminal Justice program at SIUC.

Possible Career Opportunities

- Police Officer
- Patrolman
- Police Sergeant
- State Trooper
- Police Patrol Officer
- Public Safety Officer
- Law Enforcement Officer
- Alcohol Law Enforcement Agent
  - Detective
  - Investigator
  - Narcotics Detective
  - Fugitive Investigator
  - Detective Sergeant
  - Detective Supervisor

...and more!

Earning Capacity

Detectives & Criminal Investigators earn an average salary of **$80,700** (Based in Illinois).

Police & Sheriff’s Patrol Officers earn an average salary of **$72,700** (Based in Illinois).

For more information visit [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org).

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