

LAW ENFORCEMENT

PUBLIC
SERVICE

LOCAL, STATE &
FEDERAL CAREERS

CRIME
PREVENTION

PEACE OFFICER
EDUCATION

The Law Enforcement Program is a pre-professional program accredited by the Minnesota Board of Peace Officers Standard and Training (POST) that is designed to prepare students to successfully meet the requirements to take the state licensure exam in order to obtain employment as a peace officer in the State of Minnesota. The faculty have a vast array of academic and professional experiences and work diligently to ensure the program produces the best-prepared graduates in the state. The program also offers a minor in law enforcement.

DEGREES OFFERED

- Law Enforcement, BS
- Law Enforcement Minor

SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Communication skills
- Critical thinking
- Cultural sensitivity
- Decision making
- Detail oriented
- Ethical
- Interpersonal skills
- Manage stress
- Persistence
- Physically fit
- Responsible
- Team player

REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES

- Law Enforcement Club
- Alpha Phi Sigma
- Internships

EMPLOYERS

- Airports/transportation companies
- County jails
- Government agencies
- Immigration/naturalization
- Insurance companies
- Federal/state correction facilities
- Forensic laboratories
- K-12 schools
- Private industry
- Security agencies
- Youth corrections facilities

CAREERS

- Border patrol agent
- Corrections
- Crime scene investigator
- Criminologist
- Customs agent
- Deputy sheriff
- Drug enforcement agent
- FBI agent
- Fish and game warden
- Forensics
- Investigator/private detective
- Juvenile justice
- Law enforcement officer
- Lawyer*
- Parole officer
- Police officer
- Probation office
- Site security
- Threat assessor
- U.S. Marshall

*Advanced education preferred



STUDY ABROAD TOURS

We believe study abroad tours provide students with immeasurable experiences and knowledge, as well as extend their network across the globe of new friends and potential employers. So far, trips taken include tours to Great Britain (England, Scotland and Northern Ireland), Iceland, Ireland, Spain, Italy, Switzerland, France, the Netherlands, Germany, the Czech Republic, and Austria.

These experiences give students the opportunity to learn about comparative justice systems and international responses to terrorism; learn from police in these other nations and other first responders, and sometimes embassy personnel. Often visited are concentration camps, jails, museums, and other historic and cultural landmarks.

Our goal for all adventures is that every student participant will see “first hand” that there are numerous ways of doing things, and that speaking with people of diverse backgrounds and cultures only serves to expand one’s knowledge-base. In addition, international travel often brings to a person a greater degree of confidence in one’s self, an appreciation or understanding of how to function in a different culture, and a heightened level of adaptability that was not realized prior to international travel. Most importantly, we want students to feel prepared for anything as well as have an exceptionally fun yet educational time!

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR CURRICULUM (LAW ENFORCEMENT, BS)

First Year (Fall)	First Year (Spring)
CJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice (3) CJ 231 Criminal Law and Procedure (4) POL 111 United States Government (4) General Education Course (3)	LAVE 133 Law Enforcement and Community Relations (3) LAVE 233 Criminal Investigations (3) PHIL 120W Introduction to Ethics (3) General Education Course - Science (4) General Education Course - Diverse Cultures (3)
Second Year (Fall)	Second Year (Spring)
LAVE 236 MN Laws, Rules, and Statutes (3) LAVE 242 Law Enforcement and Human Behavior (3) ENG 101 English Composition (4) General Education Course - Math (3) General Education Course (3)	LAVE 243 Police Juvenile Justice Procedures (3) CJ 255 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency (3) General Education Course - Diverse Cultures (3) General Education Course - Communications (3) General Education/Major Elective Course (3)
Third Year (Fall)	Third Year (Spring)
LAVE 310 Policing in a Diverse Society (3) LAVE 311 Victims and Survivors (3) LAVE XXX Law Enforcement Upper Division Elective (3) General Education - Writing Intensive (3) General Education/Elective (3)	LAVE 331 Police Stress (3) LAVE 343W Intellectual Aspects of Law Enforcement (3) HLTH 210 First Aid & CPR (3) General Education Course - Goal Area 3 (3) General Education/Elective (3)
Fourth Year (Fall)	Fourth Year (Spring)
CJ 426 Criminal Justice Ethics and Leadership (3) LAVE 431 Police Patrol Theory (3) LAVE 420W Police Technical Writing (3) LAVE XXX Law Enforcement Upper Division Elective (3) General Education/Elective (3)	LAVE 433 Senior Seminar (3) Skills Component (12)