



**LAW
ENFORCEMENT**

**EMERGENCY
SERVICES**

**LEGAL
STUDIES**

Law and Public Service Career Cluster

The Law and Public Service Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing legal services, public safety, protective services, and homeland security, including professional and technical support services. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of police, courts, corrections, private security, and fire and emergency services.

Law Enforcement Statewide Program of Study



The Law Enforcement program of study teaches CTE learners about the development of, adherence to, and protection of various branches of law. Students will learn how to appropriately and legally respond to breaches in the law according to statutory rules and regulations as well as investigate how and why the breaches occurred.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1

- Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

Level 2

- Criminal Justice - Law Enforcement I

Level 3

- Criminal Investigation

Level 4

- Forensic Science
- Practicum in Law, Public Safety Corrections, and Security

Postsecondary Opportunities

Associates Degrees

- Criminal Justice/Safety Studies/Law
- Enforcement Administration
- Criminal Justice/Police Science
- Corrections
- Criminalistics and Criminal Science

Bachelor's Degrees

- Criminal Justice/Safety Studies/Law
- Enforcement Administration
- Criminal Justice/Police Science
- Juvenile Corrections
- Cyber/Computer Forensics and Counterterrorism

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Criminal Justice/Safety Studies/Law
- Enforcement Administration
- Natural Resources
- Law Enforcement and Protective Services

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Exploration Activities

- Join the Texas Public Service Association or local criminal justice clubs

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Attend court hearings and other legal procedures

Industry-Based Certifications

- Non-Commissioned Security Officer Level II



Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	\$60,112	5,241	13%
Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Officers	\$44,054	793	9%
Correctional Officers and Jailers	\$40,186	4,683	9%
Immigration and Customs Inspectors	\$78,104	1,236	9%
First-Line Supervisors of Police and Detectives	\$91,312	253	25%

Successful completion of the Law and Public Service program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Service endorsement. Revised – August 2022

Law Enforcement Course Information

Level 1

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5700 Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13029200 (1 credit)	None	9-11

Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5705 Criminal Justice - Law Enforcement I	13029300 (1 credit)	Recommended: Principles of Law	10-12

Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5745 Criminal Investigation	13029550 (1 credit)	Recommended: Principles of Law	10-12

Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5740 Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13030100 (2 credits)	Recommended: Principles of Law and 2 other law classes	11-12
4140 Forensic Science	13029500 (1 credit)	Biology and Chemistry and IPC, Tech Princ, or Physics Recommended: Alg II and 1 law course	12

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Emergency Services Statewide Program of Study



The Emergency Services program of study focuses on training CTE learners to respond to emergency situations, such as medical emergencies and fire-based emergencies. Students will learn how to prevent emergencies, respond appropriately and in accordance with rules and regulations during crises, and investigate and delineate the source of the emergency.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1

- Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

Level 2

Level 3

- Human Body Systems - Anatomy and Physiology

Level 4

- Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
- Emergency Medical Technician – Basic
- Project-Based Research

Postsecondary Opportunities

Associates Degrees

- Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)
- Fire Prevention and Safety Technology/Technician
- Fire Science/Firefighting

Bachelor's Degrees

- Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)
- Natural Resources Law Enforcement and Protective Services

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Exploration Activities

- Attend local emergency awareness events
- Join the Texas Public Service Association

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Volunteer at a hospital or a fire station

Industry-Based Certifications

- Basic Structure Fire Protection
- Emergency Medical Responder
- Emergency Medical Technician - Basic
- IAED Emergency Telecommunicator

- OSHA Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response*

*IBC sunsetting 8/31/24



Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Firefighters	\$50,149	2,309	13%
Fire Inspectors and Investigators	\$54,787	161	14%
Emergency Medical Technicians	\$34,091	1,880	31%

Successful completion of the Emergency Services program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Service endorsement. Revised – August 2022

Emergency Services Course Information

Level 1

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5700 Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13029200 (1 credit)	None	9-11

Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
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Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5425W Human Body Systems - Anatomy and Physiology	13020600 (1 credit)	Biology and completed/ concurrent Chemistry; Recommended: 1 Course from Biomedical or Health Science	10-12

Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5740 Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13030100 (2 credits))	Recommended: Principles of Law and 2 additional Law courses	11-12
5008 Project-Based Research	12701500 (1 credit)	None	11-12
5405 A/B Emergency Medical Technician - Basic	N1303015 (2 credits)	Biology Coreq: Human Body Systems Recommended: Principles of Law	12

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Legal Studies Statewide Program of Study



The Legal Studies program of study introduces CTE learners to the occupations and educational opportunities related to representing clients in criminal and civil litigation and other legal proceedings, as well as assisting lawyers and preparing legal documents. This program of study explores possible specializations in a single area of law.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1

- Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

Level 2

- Court Systems and Practices

Level 3

- Business Law

Level 4

- Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
- Project-Based Research
- Career Preparation I and II

Postsecondary Opportunities

Associates Degrees

- Legal Assistant/Paralegal

Bachelor's Degrees

- Legal Assistant/Paralegal

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- Advanced Legal Research/Studies General
- International Law and Legal Studies

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Exploration Activities

- Attend court hearings and other legal procedures
- Join the Texas Public Service Association

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Intern with a local attorney
- Script and conduct a mock trial



Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Lawyers	\$126,131	2,801	19%
Paralegal and Legal Assistants	\$50,544	2,837	19%

Legal Studies

Course Information

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5700 Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13029200 (1 credit)	None	9-11

Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5715 Court Systems and Practices	13029600 (1 credit)	Recommended: Principles of Law	10-12

Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5067 Business Law	13011700 (1 credit)	Recommended: Principles of Law or Principles of Business	11-12

Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE
5740 Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	13030100 (2 credits)	Recommended: Principles of Law and 2 other law classes	11-12
5008 Project-Based Research	12701500 (1 credit)	None	11-12
5090/ 5091 Career Preparation I/Extend	12701300 (2 credits) 12701305 (3 credits)	None	11-12
5092/5093 Career Preparation II/Extend	12701400 (2 credits) 12701405 (3 credits)	Career Prep I	12