PROGRAM CODE: AAS.LEN.POLICE.ACAD
PROGRAM NAME: Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice – Police Academy

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AACC faculty developed the following charts to encourage greater success in your program of study. Why take classes in this order? The courses in the first column are designed to prepare you for courses in the second column and so on. Students with no developmental requirements in English or reading may register for a total of 18 credits per term. If you are a part-time student, you may take fewer credits by dividing the recommended courses across multiple terms to accommodate your schedule.

GROUP 1				GROUP 2				GROUP 3				GROUP 4			
COURSE/ REQUIREMENT	CRED-ITS	Term Taken	Grade	COURSE/ REQUIREMENT	CRED-ITS	Term Taken	Grade	COURSE/ REQUIREMENT	CRED-ITS	Term Taken	Grade	COURSE/ REQUIREMENT	CRED-ITS	Term Taken	Grade
ENG-111 or ENG-115 or ENG-121 *See note 1*	3			ENG-112 or ENG-116 or elective (must have 60 credits for graduation) *See notes 1 & 2* P	3			CJS-109	1			CJS-218 P	3		
Mathematics GER	3			BIO-101	4			CJS-113	3			CJS-222 P	4		
Arts & Humanities GER	3			PLS-111	3			Elective (consult with an advisor) *See note 2*	3			CJS-225	3		
Biological & Physical Sciences, Computer Technology or Mathematics GER	3			SOC-111 Ⓓ	3			CJS-215	3			EMT-104 or HEA-150 *See note 3*	3		
CJS-111	3			CJS-112	3			CJS-216	3						
								CJS-226 P	3						

1. *Successful completion of ENG-121 fully satisfies the English composition general education requirement. Students who take ENG 121 will need to take an additional elective course with the approval of the department chair*
2. *Students who elect not to take a computer technology general education course must satisfy the computer competency requirement with one of these electives.*
3. *Students who are graduates of recognized police academies, current employees of fire departments, or current employees of EMT/emergency response agencies may request to have HEA 150 or EMT 104 waived. To do so, students should provide an official (department letterhead) letter to the Records and Registration Office stating that they are graduates or employees of one of the above agencies. Courses or training not approved for academic credit through the American Council on Education or through an institution accredited by a commission on higher education approved by the United States Department of Education will not be accepted for transfer credit or as meeting the waiver.*

Note: Minimum of 60 credit hours required for degree.
General Education Required Course SOC 111 meets the Diversity Requirement for this degree.
This program has special admissions and graduation requirements. Please refer to requirements listed below.
Where course choices exist within programs, transfer students should consult with an advisor and use transfer resources to make course choices consistent with the requirements of their intended transfer school.

P This course has a credit course prerequisite. Specific course prerequisite information can be obtained by looking at the Course Descriptions section of the College Catalog or in the Schedule of Classes.

Ⓓ This course meets the diversity requirement or the diversity requirement can be met simultaneously as you satisfy this requirement. Only one diversity class is required to meet the diversity requirement. Courses which meet the diversity requirement can be found in General Education Requirements section of the College Catalog or by looking for the diversity symbol placed next to course descriptions in the Schedule of Credit Classes.

(GER) Information on courses that meet General Education Requirements (GER) can be found in General Education Requirements section of the College Catalog or by looking course descriptions in the Schedule of Credit Classes for the open book symbol and the name of the GER category

Entrance Requirements

Students must meet with the program coordinator for advisement and eligibility approval before enrolling in the police academy. Please call 410-777-1159 or 410-777-7063; or email lpblyther@aacc.edu to set up a meeting. The police academy segment of the degree program begins in the summer semester of every year with an orientation course, and ends May 31 in the following year. Students must be 21 years of age by May 31 to enroll in the police academy segment of the degree program.

Criminal Background Check

Participating in this program requires the satisfactory completion of a criminal background check.

Academic and Integrity Standards

The police academy segment of the degree program reflects entrance-level training objectives, mandated by the Maryland Police Training Commission (MPTC), the Director of the Academy and by Anne Arundel Community College. Students are required to complete academy examinations with a score of 75 percent or better on each exam. Students may not fail any course within the police academy segment of the degree program and must complete the police academy segment of the degree program with an overall GPA of 2.0 or better. Students are strongly encouraged to maintain at least the same GPA for all other non-academy courses in the degree program. Students must be eligible to take ENG 111 or ENG 115 or ENG 121 by the end of the police academy segment of the degree program. While enrolled in the police academy segment of the degree program, students are required to maintain the highest ethical, academic and professional standards - during and outside of scheduled classes. Failure to adhere to these and other standards established by the Academy Director, the college and/or by the MPTC, will lead to academy dismissal.

Following successful completion of the police academy segment of the degree program, the student will receive a certificate from the Maryland Police Training Commission, documenting successful completion of the mandated police entry-level curriculum in all areas except firearms training. Graduates hired as police officers within two years may be eligible for a waiver of certain entrance-level training requirements to become a certified police officer.

Degree Requirements

Students are required to complete criminal background checks. Students are also required to obtain medical waivers that qualify the student's fitness to perform various physical activities throughout the police academy segment of the degree program. The police academy segment of the degree program is a 10-month program, approved by the Maryland Police Training Commission. Students must be able to adhere to a full-time course schedule set by the Director of the Police Academy. Students are required to purchase and wear authorized uniforms; attend meetings; physical and academic trainings; examinations; and other workshops outside of regularly scheduled classes. Students also are required to complete an off campus training at the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course in Sykesville, Md.