ADVANCED DETECTIVE

Official Certificate Program



Central's Advanced Detective Official Certificate Program (OCP) provides investigators with advanced knowledge, skills, and theoretical perspectives that can assist in the application of their role as a detective. Courses are designed for detectives at all levels and ranks. The Connecticut State Detective Methodology Program Advisory Board endorses this program and is an integral part of the development and ongoing assessment of classes. The classes in the program can be applied toward the MS in Criminal Justice.

Curriculum

Completion of four courses (12 credits) within the Advanced Detective Certificate Program. The four courses can be taken in any sequence, the options include:

- Death Investigations
- Sexual Assault Investigation
- Police Involved Shootings & Crime Scene Investigations
- Interview & Interrogation
- Expectation of Privacy
- Financial Crime Investigation

Program Features

- Starts every January and August
- 12-credit program
- Attend part-time
- Evening classes
- HyFlex format
- Endorsed by the Connecticut Advisory Board consisting of:
  - State Attorney's Office
  - Local police chiefs
  - Department Emergency Services and Public Protection
  - Connecticut State Police Major Crime Unit
  - Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POST)
  - Connecticut Forensic Lab
  - Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
- Local and State Police attending the courses may be eligible for POST credit
- Taught by leading subject matter experts
- Scholarships are available through the Department of Criminology & Criminal Justice
- No GMAT/GRE required

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What You'll Gain

- Knowledge of the fundamental principles and methods of detective work
- Interview and interrogation skills including how to initiate an interview and build rapport
- Understanding of various types of death investigations and the evidence and information needed in each case
- Tools to identify and investigate various types of financial crimes
- Knowledge of the detective's roles and responsibilities during search and seizure
- Understanding of the concept of expectation of privacy
- Appreciation for the policies, practices, roles, and responsibilities of detectives during sexual assault investigations
- Understanding of the philosophy, methodology, and techniques required for crime scene investigations

> **As a newer Investigator in the Stamford Bureau of Criminal Investigations Unit, I have found that the detective program offered by Central has made this transition easier. The program has provided me with the building blocks necessary for investigative work.**
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> *— Officer David O'Meara*

Applying for Admission

For consideration, applicants must submit the following:

1. A completed online application (ccsu.edu/apply)
2. Official undergraduate transcripts from a regionally accredited institution of higher education (GPA of 3.00 or higher, applicants may also be considered conditionally with a 2.50 to 2.99 GPA)

Official transcripts may be sent directly to the Graduate Recruitment & Admissions Office:

By Mail: Central Connecticut State University
Graduate Recruitment & Admissions Office
1615 Stanley Street
Central Welcome Center
New Britain, CT 06050

By Email: graduateadmissions@ccsu.edu

NOTE: Prior to the start of classes proof of completion of the Basic Detective Certification must be provided. (Work experience may substitute for Basic Detective Certification)

DID YOU KNOW?

Central is the only school **in the country** that offers a Detective Certificate program.

ABOUT CENTRAL:
Central Connecticut State University is the largest university within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Founded in 1849, Central is also the state's oldest publicly funded university. Our campus is located in New Britain, Connecticut. Central is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).



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