



## Criminal Justice Fundamentals Certificate (CJ71)—12 Credit Hours

**Program Description:**

The Criminal Justice Fundamentals certificate program is a sequence of courses that prepares students for criminal justice professions. Learning opportunities develop academic, occupational, and professional knowledge and skills required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. The program emphasizes a combination of criminal justice theory and practical application necessary for successful employment. Completion of the Criminal Justice Specialist certificate program may permit students to pursue entry-level opportunities in the criminal justice field. Completion of this certificate program does not ensure certification of officer status in Georgia. Students must seek such certification through the Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Council.

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**Website:**

<https://www.westgatech.edu/program-explorer/public-safety/criminal-justice/>

**Campus:**

Courses may rotate on Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, LaGrange, and Online

<b>Set the Track, Start the Track, Stay on Track</b>					
<i>Meet with an Advising Coach to Stay on Track. S = Semester; CR = Credit Hours; FA = Fall; SP = Spring; SU = Summer; ALL=any semester</i>					
✓	Grade	Course	S	CR	Notes & Milestones
		CRJU 1010 Introduction to Criminal Justice	ALL	3	
		CRJU 1030 Corrections	ALL	3	
		CRJU 1040 Principles of Law Enforcement	ALL	3	
		CISM 2201 Foundations of Computer Applications	ALL	3	Substitution COMP 1000 prior to January 2018
Always check online <a href="https://www.westgatech.edu/">https://www.westgatech.edu/</a> and meet with your Advising or Faculty Coach to ensure you are viewing the latest and most accurate information.					

**Note:** If a course is full or unavailable when you attempt to register, please select an available course from any term listed, given you have satisfied the required pre-requisite.

**Employment Opportunities:** <https://www.westgatech.edu/student-life/career-services/>

**Financial Aid by Program:** <https://www.westgatech.edu/financial-aid/types-of-aid/>

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