



Do you enjoy helping people? Ever thought about pursuing a career that could save lives? Clark State's programs in Social Sciences/Human Services and Public Safety offer you the skills you need for the career you want!

The Social Sciences/Human Services and Public Safety programs lead to careers in criminal justice, law enforcement, fire safety, emergency medical services and more. Students in these programs gain real world experience through hands-on application both in the classroom and internship opportunities. Choose one of 13 Social Sciences/Human Services and Public Safety degrees and certificates today!

Get started on your new career today! Clark State offers year-round enrollment and registration. Most degrees are transferable to four-year colleges should you want to continue your education.

Questions? We're here to help!

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Criminal Justice Technology

Are you looking for a career in a stable industry? Criminal justice is a multi-million dollar industry! Individuals violate laws and require legal interventions and sanctions regardless of economic conditions. Those who hold positions in the field of criminal justice engage in activities that protect the public. Their job duties may include collecting evidence, conducting investigations, analyzing crime scenes and carrying out punishments. Practitioners are required to serve the needs of those accused and convicted of crimes, while also protecting the community.

Clark State's Criminal Justice program prepares students for a wide variety of careers. The program is comprised of two areas of concentration: criminal justice with a law enforcement emphasis and corrections. Our courses are taught by individuals who have been or currently are practitioners, providing students with instruction that includes current and relevant practices.

Interested in pursuing law enforcement certifications?

You may be eligible to begin this process earlier by deferring six courses in the Criminal Justice program that are addressed through Police Academy instruction. Once a student successfully completes the Police Academy course work, full credit for the courses is applied to the student's transcript, allowing them to begin their law enforcement career path sooner.

Degrees:

- Associate of Applied Science degree in Criminal Justice Technology Corrections Concentration
- Associate of Applied Science degree in Criminal Justice Technology Law Enforcement Concentration



Emergency Medical Services

Do you thrive in a fast-paced environment? Are you great under pressure? Emergency medical services are expanding rapidly with more opportunities developing for emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and paramedics every day. Clark State's Emergency Medical Services programs introduce students to a variety of emergency care situations and experiences, both in the hospital setting and on emergency vehicles. Although working in EMS has traditionally meant working for a fire department, rescue squad or ambulance, there are also positions in education, management, research, publishing, communications, support services and health agencies.

Students seeking a quick credential can choose to pursue Clark State's EMT Short-term Technical certification or Paramedic certification.

Degree:

Associate of Applied Science degree in Emergency Medical Services

Certificates:

- EMT Short-term Technical certification
- Paramedic certification



Social Services

Do you thrive helping others? Social work is devoted to helping people function as well as they can within their environments. A social services professional must be able to work effectively with diverse groups of people and individuals within a wide variety of ages, racial and cultural backgrounds and life situations.

Clark State has two Social Services degree program options for students: Social Services Technology and Social Work Transfer. In the Social Services Technology degree, students develop the key skills needed to begin their career right after graduation. The Social Work Transfer program provides curricular options to prepare a student to transfer into the Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work at Wright State University. It serves as a semester-by-semester guideline for transfer.

Registration as a Social Work Assistant

Students who have achieved a grade of C or better in all Social Services courses are eligible to be registered as Social Work Assistants by the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board. Graduates are required to complete a background check when applying for the Social Work Assistant Certificate and any position in social work.

Degrees:

- Associate of Applied Science degree in Social Services Technology
- Associate of Applied Science degree in Social Work Transfer Wright State University

Certificate:

Chemical Dependency Short-term Technical certificate



Basic Peace Officer Training Academy

Interested in law enforcement? Clark State's Basic Peace Officer Training Academy is here to help you enter into the field of Law Enforcement! We've designed our program to meet the requirements of the Ohio Police Officer Training Council (OPOTC). Our instructors include current and retired officers who have a wealth of experience in the field. Courses include administration, legal, human relations, firearms, driving, traffic, investigation, patrol, traffic enforcement, civil disorders, defensive tactics, first aid, homeland security and physical conditioning. Additional certificates can be earned for pepper spray and taser. Successful graduates will be recommended to take the state certification examination and will also earn college credit towards Clark State's Criminal Justice degree.

Our academy is offered four times each year, with day or evening options to fit into your schedule. All academies include multiple weekends where some training events are held off-site. Attendance at all classes is mandatory. Applicants must pass entrance requirements in order to be admitted into the academy.

NIGHT Basic Police Academy:

- Approximately seven months of training
- Begins in January and May
- Class time: 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
- Some Saturdays and Sundays required

Certificates:

- Basic Peace Officer Training Academy
- Pepper Spray certification Non OPOTA
- NHTSA SFST
- NHTSA Speed Measure Device

DAY Basic Police Academy:

- · Approximately five months of training
- Begins in March and July
- Class time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Some Saturdays and Sundays required



Firefighter Training

Interested in becoming a firefighter? Clark State's Firefighter Training programs prepare you for a rewarding career. Training Includes hazardous materials operations, emergency vehicle operations, instruction in rescue, extrication, ventilation, fire behavior, fire control with live fire suppression and more! We have four certification options that range from 36 hours to 156 hour to complete.

Firefighter I Short-Term Technical certification

This 156-hour program is designed to meet the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1001 standard for firefighter professional qualifications. Students gain knowledge, skills and confidence to initiate interior fire suppression operation, complete a building search/rescue and master the operation of a breathing apparatus. Graduates are able to apply building construction methods to predict fire movement inside a structure.

Firefighter II Short-Term Technical certification

This 104-hour, Level II course transitions the Level I Firefighter to the minimum requirement under NFPA 1001 standard for firefighter professional qualifications. The Level II course completes the advanced tactics of ventilation, fire control, fire prevention and public education, rope rescue, auto machinery extrication, fire alarm detection systems and automatic suppression systems. Students also learn the concepts of foam and how it relates to fire control on liquid fuel fires. Live fire situations provide hands-on scenarios for students to perform rescue and fire control operation.

Firefighter Volunteer Departmental certificate

This 36-hour course, classified as awareness-level firefighting, covers the basics of entry-level firefighting for volunteers. Students gain classroom and hands-on experiences of how to assist fire departments with exterior operations, acquire continuing education through department, the complex techniques required for interior operations and direct fire attack.

Firefighter Transition Departmental certificate

This 120-hour course builds upon the 36-hour Volunteer Firefighter course. This certification uses extensive hands-on labs to help the student move from an awareness-level-only firefighter to a NFPA 1001 standard firefighter. The course prepares the firefighter to operate inside burning structures, safely place and climb ground ladders, determine need and apply sound ventilation practices and gain skills in incident command and basic first aid.

