



**Certificate A**  
17 Credit Hours

**Corrections Officer**

**A.A.S.**  
60-68 Credit Hours

**Corrections A.A.S. Degree**  
• Minimum of 15 Credit Hours of General Education

### Required Courses within Program

**Common Courses** **17 credits:**

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| <i>Oral Communications in the Correctional Environment</i> | <i>3 credits</i> |
| <i>Corrections Report Writing</i>                          | <i>3 credits</i> |
| <i>Introduction to Corrections</i>                         | <i>3 credits</i> |
| <i>Ethical Decision Making in Corrections</i>              | <i>3 credits</i> |
| <i>Special Populations in Corrections</i>                  | <i>3 credits</i> |
| <i>Spanish for the Workplace</i>                           | <i>2 credits</i> |

*Course list sequence has no implication on course scheduling by colleges.*

*Institutions may add additional competencies based on local demand.*

### Notes

Specifics pertaining to the Corrections Program:

1. An agreed upon third party nationally recognized credential does not exist for correctional officers.
2. The Kansas Department of Corrections has endorsed the common courses and requested that colleges offer the designated exit point in addition to the A.A.S. credential.

### Community Corrections CIP 43.0199

- Colleges with programs preparing students for positions as parole officers or in other community-based corrections professions will utilize 43.0199 to identify their program for reporting purposes on the state data system.
- Institutions with Police Science and Criminal Justice programs are “encouraged” to evaluate the identified common courses for potential inclusion in their programs.