

Model Curriculum for Loss Prevention

Certificate Program Proposal

Program Description: Retail Loss Prevention is a rapidly growing field that demands educated professionals schooled in a number of disciplines as it evolves into a multi-dimensional business preservation model. The Loss Prevention Certificate Program provides students with courses which lead to a Certificate in Loss Prevention and provides a foundation for students who wish to pursue further studies in Loss Prevention. This will also give students the basic knowledge and skills to begin careers in Loss Prevention.

Program Courses: The Certificate in Loss Prevention is an Interdisciplinary Program consisting of courses in Criminal Justice Sciences, Business, and Computer Science. The Program consists of four required courses and two elective courses chosen from a list provided.

Required Courses

CJxxx	Introduction to Criminal Justice
CJ/BUS/LPxxx	Principles/Introduction to Loss Prevention
BUSxxx	Introduction to Business
CSCxxx	Computer Applications

Electives – (Choose two (2))

CJxxx	Crime Prevention
CJxxx	Criminal Investigation
CSCxxx	Cybersecurity
CJxxx	Physical Security/Security Surveys
BUSxxx	Accounting I
BUSxxx	Business Law
BUSxxx	Human Resources Management
LPxxx	Practicum

Course Descriptions

CJxxx Intro to Criminal Justice: This course introduces students to the agencies, processes and theories involved in the administration of criminal justice. The learning objectives include - but are not limited to - examining the major components of the criminal justice system, including the police, courts and corrections and understanding contemporary criminal justice issues and challenges.

CJxxx Criminal Investigation: This course presents investigative theory, crime scene procedures, interviews and interrogations, and the collections and preservation of physical evidence. Learning objectives include – but are not limited to – understanding techniques for collecting evidence, practicing interviewing skills, and identifying appropriate investigative techniques for specific crimes.

CJ or BUS Principles/Introduction to Loss Prevention: This course serves as an introduction to the loss prevention field and focuses on retail loss prevention. Students will learn about the fundamentals of the field including asset protection, risk management, law of loss prevention, methods of and prevention of theft, both internal and external, and the development of asset protection programs.

BUSxxx Introduction to Business: This course will expose you to business terminology, concepts, and current business issues. The intent is to develop a viable business vocabulary, foster critical and analytical thinking, and refine your business decision-making skills. These skills will be acquired by the reading materials, exercises, and research assignments in this course that simulate the workplace today

CJxxx Crime Prevention: Students will learn about topics to include reasons not to solely rely on the criminal justice system to prevent crime, crime data analysis techniques, crime problem-solving models, models of crime prevention, ingredients of successful private / public partnerships in order to prevent crime and simple methods of implementing and evaluating crime prevention initiatives. Upon completion of this crime prevention course, participants will have a working knowledge of key crime prevention concepts and be familiar with strategies to effectively prevent crime. The practical nature of the training means that the skills and knowledge gained through this training will be directly transferable to the workplace.

CJ/CSCxxx Cybersecurity: Students will learn to protect an organization's critical information and assets by ethically integrating cyber security best practices and risk management through enterprise. Students will also learn processes to integrate continuous monitoring and real-time security solutions with information collection, collaboration, and analysis capabilities, improve cyber security situational awareness and deployment of countermeasures in industry and government, evaluate and assess the use of technology to support cyber security goals and objectives, participate in forensic analysis of cyber incidents and learn how to assist in recovery

of operations, and formulate, update, and communicate short- and long-term organizational cyber security strategies and policies.

CJxxx Physical Security/Security Surveys: In this course, learners understand how to manage the security of our information by identifying critical data security requirements and incorporating them into our processes and operations. Learners will study the standards and practices that are needed to meet a company's unique security needs. Students will understand how to protect data from theft, unintended disclosure, deletion, manipulation and other unauthorized use.. Learners will study security processes that are incorporated into our overall business processes while remaining focused on productivity and necessary access to needed data.

BUSxxx Accounting I: A study of the fundamental concepts and methodology of accounting. Students will learn the procedures of accounting for assets, liabilities, equity, revenues and expenses. Analysis and preparation of financial statements will also be stressed as well as an emphasis on problem solving using a computerized general ledger system and/or Excel.

CSCxxx Introduction to Computer Applications: Introduction to Computer Applications is a course designed to familiarize students with computers and their applications. It also emphasizes the use of computers and technology throughout high school, college, and future careers. Students will learn fundamental concepts of computer hardware and software and become familiar with a variety of computer applications, including word-processing, spreadsheets, databases, and multimedia presentations. Students will investigate Internet-based applications, work with email and learn how to browse the web. Coursework includes activities that explore social and ethical issues related to computers.

BUSxxx Business Law: In this course, learners explore and articulate the influences on businesses of statutory, contract, and legal entity law. Learners evaluate the historical underpinnings and origins of the court system's ability to adjudicate commercial disputes. Learners also develop and demonstrate their legal vocabulary, an understanding of core legal concepts, and basic legal research skills.

BUSxxx Human Resources Management: This course is a survey of the human resources management (HRM) field and its function and role in the organization. Learners develop their knowledge of fundamental HRM principles and demonstrate competencies in areas such as compensation and benefits, legal requirements, and training and development.

LPxxx Practicum Students enrolled in the Practicum will study for and earn the Loss Prevention Qualified Certification from the Loss Prevention Foundation under the guidance of a faculty member who will oversee the student's progress and examinations throughout the process.