**Curriculum Description**

The Intelligence Studies curriculum is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for employment and growth in the intelligence profession.

Course work includes various subject areas related to intelligence studies involving information systems, military and criminal intelligence, intelligence operations, intelligence collection methods, intelligence research, cybercrime intelligence, geospatial intelligence, and counterintelligence.

Graduates may qualify for entry-level intelligence positions in the public and private sectors. Occupations may include positions specific to the military, intelligence agencies, cybersecurity, counterterrorism and homeland security.

**Curriculum Requirements**

*for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 1D SBCCC 400.10*

I. **General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.

II. **Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*

III. **Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

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*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.*
Major Hours

A. **Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.

B. **Concentration (if applicable).** A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours of credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.

C. **Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

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**Required Courses:**
- ITL 110 Intro to US Intel Community 3 SHC
- ITL 115 Intro to Global Threats 3 SHC
- ITL 210 Intelligence Research Methods 3 SHC
- ITL 220 Intelligence Operations 3 SHC

**Select 3 SHC from the following courses:**
- DBA 110 Database Concepts 3 SHC
- GEO 110 Introduction to Geography 3 SHC
- SEC 110 Security Concepts 3 SHC

**Select one of the following courses:**
- CIS 110 Introduction to Computers 3 SHC
- CIS 111 Basic PC Literacy 2 SHC

**Required Subject Areas (Select one of the following three subject areas):**

**Intelligence Operations**
- ITL 120 Threat Analysis & Pres. 3 SHC
- ITL 225 SIGINT Operations 3 SHC
- ITL 235 Human Intelligence 3 SHC
- ITL 240 CI Operations 3 SHC

**Geospatial Intelligence**
- CSC 134 C++ Programming 3 SHC
- GEO 130 General Physical Geography 3 SHC
- GIS 111 Introduction to GIS 3 SHC
- ITL 245 Geospatial Intelligence 3 SHC

**Criminal Intelligence**
- CCT 110 Intro to Cyber Crime 3 SHC
- GIS 111 Introduction to GIS 3 SHC
- ITL 130 Illicit Financing 3 SHC
- ITL 215 Site Exploitation 3 SHC
B. **CONCENTRATION** *(list concentration courses if applicable)*

C. **OTHER MAJOR HOURS** *To be selected from the following prefixes:*

   BAS, BUS, CCT, CIS, CJC, CSC, CTI, CTS, DBA, EPT, GEO, GIS, ITL, LOG, MSI, NET, NOS, OMT, PAD, POL, SEC, WBL, and WEB.

   Up to two semester hour credits may be selected from ACA.

   Up to nine semester hour credits may be selected from the following prefixes: ARA, CHI, FRE, GER, ITA, JPN, LAT, POR, RUS and SPA.