

Graduate Certificate

The Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Program (A-CAPPP) within the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University offers a graduate certificate program in Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Criminology. Courses are offered through the School of Criminal Justice, Veterinary Medicine, Human Medicine, and Packaging for Lifelong Education students, including working professionals not enrolled in a graduate program, and graduate students enrolled in online graduate degree programs.

Certificate Requirements

To obtain the certificate, you must successfully complete:

*VM/CJ 840, Anti-Counterfeit Strategy and Product Protection *and*

Three (3) of the following three-credit online courses

- CJ 801 Crime Causation, Prevention and Control, Fall
- CJ 823 Globalization of Crime, Fall of even years
- VM/CJ 821 Food Protection and Defense, Fall and Spring
- VM 813 Special Studies (Section 730), Spring
- HM 833 Introduction to Pharmaceutical Counterfeiting and Public Health, Fall of odd years
- PKG 814 Packaging for Food Safety, Summer
- CJ 846 Corporate Environmental Crime and Risk, Spring of even years
- CJ 890 Independent Study, please contact Dr. Jeremy Wilson, jwilson@msu.edu
- Other course selections, please contact Dr. Jeremy Wilson for approval, jwilson@msu.edu

*This course is also required for the Product Protection Certificate offered by the Food Safety Program and Counterfeit Medicines Certificate offered by the Public Health Program.

Certificate Program Overview

These courses provide a holistic and all-encompassing overview of the product counterfeit threat. The program includes content focusing on overall criminology theory and international crime. Students who successfully complete the course work will be well positioned to provide strategic anti-counterfeiting and product protection strategies for industry and agencies.

While the course work is grounded in core academic principles, the content is pragmatic and applicable to product protection managers making day-to-day decisions. Many courses were developed at the request of industry and co-developed with business managers paired with academics (e.g. VM/CJ 840, VM/CJ 821, HM 833, and PKG 814)

Importance of a Certificate

Obtaining the certificate is an excellent way to demonstrate a commitment to advancement and of achieving a recognized level of competence. Students will have cutting edge insight and skills on what has been referred to as "the crime of the 21st century", enabling better understanding of the complexities of counterfeiting and how to identify and respond to the risk. This expertise is applicable to industry, agencies, academic teachers and researchers.



Executive Education Short Courses

These short courses provide attendees with an insight in the emerging corporate management function of product protection, brand protection, and the growing area of anti-counterfeit strategy, while drawing on a wide range of current experience and expertise.

Custom workshops can be offered at your workplace tailored to positions and job responsibilities.

Course Instructor:

John Spink, PhD
Associate Director & Assistant Professor, Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection Program, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University.

Chair
US Technical Advisory Group for ISO Technical Committee 247 Fraud Controls and Countermeasures
Chair
State of Michigan's Food Safety Strategy/Packaging Subcommittee
Chair
International Association of Packaging Research Institutes (IAPRI), working group on Package Security and Anti-Counterfeiting

Registration Process

Complete an application to become a Lifelong student at <http://www.reg.msu.edu/ROInfo/EnrReg/LifelongEducation.asp>.

Contact the Criminal Justice Department at 517.353.7133. Someone will direct you to the site where you will list the courses you intend to take for your certificate. They will also obtain all overrides and assist in enrollment.

Transfer any course credits towards a degree program at MSU or another institution.

Please note that this is a category 3 certificate offered through the MSU School of Criminal Justice. It is not listed on a MSU transcript. You should list on your resume as follows: "Anti-Counterfeiting Strategy and Product Protection Criminology Certificate, Michigan State University".

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