

Put your investigative skills to work as a digital detective! Cybercrime Specialists work closely with law enforcement officers to search, preserve and analyze information on computer systems that can be used as evidence in a trial. This program is equal parts information technology and criminal justice. One day you'll be learning about computer repair and networking and the next day you'll be exploring criminal law, evidence preservation and the American court systems.

Don't worry if you don't have extensive knowledge of computers. This program begins with everyone learning the basics of repair and maintenance, covering everything from hardware, software and operating systems along with the installation, configuration and troubleshooting of network hardware.

## How You'll Learn Hands-On

Get out of the classroom and into the real world with projects such as:

- Collecting and analyzing network-based evidence
- Processing evidence from simulated crime scenes

## Where it Can Take You

Use the skills you'll learn in this program to find a career you'll love. Possibilities include:

- Cyber Crime Investigator
- Security Engineer
- Vulnerability Researcher
- Security Incident Responder

## What You'll Learn

<b>Course</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Fundamentals of Technology	120
Computer Repair and Troubleshooting I	120
Computer Repair and Troubleshooting II	120
Cyber Forensics	120
Introduction to Criminal Justice	15

Police Function and Fundamentals	30
Criminal Law	30
American Court Systems	15
Criminal Procedure	30
Criminal Evidence	30
Network and Routing Fundamentals	150
<b>Total</b>	<b>780</b>

## Career Readiness Certificate

[WorkKeys®](#), an assessment tool from the ACT® organization, measures skills employers have identified as critical to job success in their industry and are used in hiring and promoting employees. Students are able to earn the ACT®-issued [National Career Readiness Certificate](#) by meeting the score requirements for their job field on three WorkKeys® assessments.

Matching the right employees with the right job creates employee job satisfaction, increased self-confidence and the best wages possible for the employee. The employer benefits with reduced turnover and training, increased productivity and overall company success. To learn about the WorkKeys® scores needed for your future career field visit [Job Profiles](#).

The required WorkKeys scores for this career major are:

Applied Math - 4

Workplace Documents - 5

Graphic Literacy - 4

## Graduation Requirements

In order to be successful in a career, students will need to meet all technical and academic standards related to their career of choice at Meridian. Meridian offers rigorous programs of study designed in cooperation with business and industry to ensure students are fully prepared for the demands of the workplace.

## Meridian's Career Ready Credential

When a student completes all standards as set forth in their program of study, they will be considered a graduate of Meridian and receive the Career Ready Credential. Students who do not meet these standards will not be considered graduates of Meridian. Students should have:

- Completed all courses in a career major with a grade of "C" or above and achieved required industry-based certifications for the career major
- Achieved WorkKeys® scores at or above the level required for the career major or earned an ACT® composite score of 19 or greater (Students may substitute equivalent scores on SAT, ACCUPLACER or other approved assessments.)

## Additional Endorsements

Students earning a Career Ready Credential may also earn the Postsecondary Ready Endorsement, Citizenship Ready Endorsement and the National Career Readiness Certificate (CRC).

### Postsecondary Ready Endorsement

- Earned, or was on track to earn, a high school diploma or GED at the time of Meridian graduation
- Achieved a subscore of 19 or greater on the ACT® in math, English, reading and science (Students may substitute equivalent scores on SAT, ACCUPLACER or other approved assessments.)

### Citizenship Ready Endorsement

- Completed employment profile, résumé, job application, cover letter, mock interview and job search training through [OKJobMatch.com](http://OKJobMatch.com)
- Documented active membership in a [CareerTech Student Organization](#) or professional association related to the program of study
- Documented 20 hours of volunteerism or service in a community activity

### National Career Readiness Certificate (CRC)

- Completed WorkKeys® assessments in Applied Math, Graphic Literacy and Workplace Documents and received a silver, gold or platinum National [Career Readiness](#)

[Certificate](#) through the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

## Get Started

Apply for [admission as a high school student](#). Apply for [admission as an adult](#). Contact the Career Planning Center with questions at [405.377.3333](tel:405.377.3333).