

Ms. Kim C. Hammett, Criminal Justice Online Coordinator, Instructor, and Course Developer, Stanly Community College, Albemarle, NC

Kim Hammett manages and promotes Stanly Community College's online criminal justice degree program as well as develops and teaches many of SCC's online criminal justice courses. Stanly Community College was the first community college in North Carolina to offer the entire criminal justice degree completely online and she has been the driving force behind the success of the program. She has received extensive training on online course development and is dedicated to the delivery of well-organized, high quality courses.

In addition to her online criminal justice role, Kim accepted the added responsibility of serving as interim School Director for Basic Law Enforcement Training at SCC from 2007-2009. She has developed and taught an online remedial report writing course for law enforcement and continues to work closely with the BLET and law enforcement in-service departments at SCC.

Prior to her employment at SCC, Kim began a law enforcement career in 1986 with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department after graduating with double-majors in criminal justice and psychology from NC Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount, NC. She served in patrol, crime prevention, and investigations and was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 1997. She obtained her general instructor certification in 1995 and taught the BLET report writing block to CMPD's police recruits until 1999 when she resigned from CMPD to assume the role of full-time mother to her infant son. While at CMPD, she earned her M.S. degree in criminal justice from UNC-Charlotte while working third shift and second shift, with days off split to accommodate evening seated classes. Due to that experience, she is a strong supporter of online learning and the educational opportunities it has provided to so many students.