

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AAS

Program Code: AAS.CRIMJUSTICE

The course work for this two-year program is designed to develop students' knowledge and skills in the areas of law enforcement, courts and corrections. Areas emphasized include community policing, criminal investigation, routine patrol and criminological theory. Students gain an appreciation of the various parts of the criminal justice system and how they function as a whole. Students may enter this program any term.

The course work for this program includes cooperative work experience which affords the student opportunity for hands-on experience with many local, federal and state law enforcement agencies.

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Outcomes

Related Instruction Outcomes

Computation

- 1 course - MTH-098 College Math Foundations
- Use appropriate mathematics to solve problems

Communication

- 1 course - WR-121 English Composition
- Read actively, think critically, and write purposefully and capably for professional audiences

Human Relations

- 1 course - CJA-250 Reporting, Recording & Testifying
- Engage in ethical communication processes that accomplish goals

Physical Education/Health/Safety/First Aid

- 1 course - HPE-296 Health and Fitness for Criminal Justice
- Use effective life skills to improve and maintain mental and physical wellbeing

Program Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

- identify and define each step in the criminal justice process, and critically analyze how a case proceeds through the system, including landmark U.S. Supreme court decisions;
- explain the functions of law enforcement and corrections in the United States in terms of historical roots, structure and contemporary issues;
- demonstrate knowledge of ethical practices in educational and professional settings;
- recognize how criminal justice professionals work effectively within a diverse society;
- identify causes and indicators of crime and their effect on the criminal justice system's response;
- demonstrate effective verbal communication skills in a criminal justice setting;

- demonstrate effective written communication skills in a criminal justice setting.

Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall Term		
CJA-110	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
CJA-122	Criminal Law	4
MTH-098	College Math Foundations	4
WR-121	English Composition	4
Credits		15
Winter Term		
CJA-101 or CJA-201	Criminology or Juvenile Delinquency	4
CJA-120	Introduction to Courts	3
CJA-203	Crisis Intervention	3
LIB-101	Introduction to Library Research	1
WR-122	English Composition	4
Credits		15
Spring Term		
CJA-130	Introduction to Corrections	3
CJA-243	Drugs, Crime and the Law	3
HD-161	Multicultural Awareness	3
PSY-219	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	4
Credits		13
Second Year		
Fall Term		
CJA-210	Criminal Investigation I	3
CJA-214	Intimate Partner Violence	3
CJA-223	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
HDF-260	Understanding Child Abuse and Neglect	4
Electives (p. 2)		3-4
Credits		16-17
Winter Term		
CJA-170	Careers in Criminal Justice	3
CJA-211	Criminal Investigation II	3
CJA-222	Procedural Law	3
HPE-296	Health and Fitness for Criminal Justice	3
Electives (p. 2)		3-4
Credits		15-16
Spring Term		
CJA-200	Community Policing	3
CJA-212	Criminal Investigation III	3
CJA-250	Reporting, Recording & Testifying	4
CJA-270	Criminal Justice Capstone	3
CJA-280 or HD-102	Criminal Justice/Corrections/CWE or Service Learning Experience	3
Credits		16
Total Credits		90-92

Electives

Any **CJA** course not included in the program, or any of the following:

Code	Title	Credits
GRN-183	Death and Dying	3
HST-131	History of Crime & Punishment in Western Civilization	4

Careers

Career opportunities include:

- law enforcement officer at the local, state or national level
- loss prevention officers
- Homeland Security officers

Many departments require college course work or degrees in addition to civil service requirements.