

Criminal Justice (A.A.)

Curriculum Code: 1100

Semester Hours Required for Graduation:
62–65

PROGRAM GOALS:

This curriculum prepares students for transfer to complete work for a bachelor's degree in criminal justice or a related field of study. This program would be appropriate for students contemplating law school. Proper selection of curriculum electives enables students to further study other academic disciplines, such as political science, sociology, and public administration.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES:

- Describe the individual functions and integrations of the components of the criminal justice system: police, courts, and corrections.
- Use legal research skills to locate, analyze, and discuss the content of statutory and case law.
- Examine criminal justice and/or social science data and explain their significance.
- Explain the underlying causes of anti-social and criminal behavior.
- Apply Constitutional principles to the practice of criminal justice.
- Articulate, either orally or in writing, concepts or theories applicable to the criminal justice system.

ACADEMIC PREPARATION:

It is highly recommended that the following criteria be met to begin this program, and it is REQUIRED by the completion of 24 credits:

12th-grade reading level is required (readiness to begin EN 101 – Composition). (A score of 80 or higher on the placement exam is required.)

Competency in Elementary Algebra is required. College-level proficiency on Math Placement Examination.

Competency in College Algebra is highly recommended.

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

45-47 Semester Hours

CJ 102	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 114	Corrections	3
CJ 211	Substantive Criminal Law	3
CJ 212	Procedural Criminal Law	3
EN 101	Composition	3
EN 102	Composition and Literature	3
HU ELE	Humanities Electives	6
MA ELE	Mathematics Elective	3-4
SC ELE	Lab Science Elective	3-4
PS ELE	Political Science Elective	3
PY 101	General Psychology	3
SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SO 207	Criminology	3
SO 209	Juvenile Delinquency	3

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

15 Semester Hours

CJ 115	American Policing	3
GN ELE	General Electives	9
CS ELE	Computer Science Elective	3
	<i>or</i>	
CI ELE	Computer Information Elective	

PHYSICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

2-3 Semester Hours

PE ELE	Physical Education Electives	
	<i>or</i>	
HE ELE	Health Electives	2-3

Grand Total **62-65**

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SUGGESTED PROGRAM SEQUENCE

1st Semester

CJ 102	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
EN 101	Composition	3
MA ELE	Mathematics Elective	3-4
SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
HU ELE	Humanities Elective	3
Total		15-16

2nd Semester

CJ 114	Corrections	3
CJ 115	American Policing	3
EN 102	Composition and Literature	3
PE ELE	Physical Education Elective	<i>or</i>
HE ELE	Health Elective*	1-3
PY 101	General Psychology	3
SC ELE	Lab Science Elective	3-4
Total		16-19

3rd Semester

CJ 211	Substantive Criminal Law	3
GN ELE	General Electives	6
PE ELE	Physical Education Elective	<i>or</i>
HE ELE	Health Elective*	1-3
SO 207	Criminology	3
PS ELE	Political Science Elective	3
Total		16-18

4th Semester

CJ 212	Procedural Criminal Law	3
GN ELE	General Elective	3
CS ELE	Computer Science Elective	3
	<i>or</i>	
CI ELE	Computer Information Elective	
HU ELE	Humanities Elective	3
SO 209	Juvenile Delinquency	3
Total		15

** Either one 3-semester-hour health course or one 3-semester-hour physical education course or two courses of any combination of HE or PE will satisfy the PE requirement.*

Transfer Opportunities: SUNY Albany, SUNY Plattsburgh, The College of St. Rose, Marist College, Utica College of Syracuse University, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.