

Criminal Justice (A.A.S.)

Curriculum Code: 0640

Semester Hours Required for Graduation: 61

PROGRAM GOALS:

This curriculum prepares students for positions with federal, state, county, and local law enforcement organizations including positions with private and public security agencies. The courses offered fulfill the educational needs of students to aid them in becoming efficient and knowledgeable criminal justice and security personnel.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Explain the function and role of the core components and agencies that constitute the criminal justice system.
- Locate, examine and apply criminal justice and social science information and data.
- Identify and apply Constitutional principles and related legal principles to the activities of the criminal justice system.
- Demonstrate critical thinking skills to formulate, present and defend logical arguments, either orally and in writing.
- Articulate, either orally or in writing, concepts or theories related to the causes of crime and the processes of the criminal justice system.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the contemporary professional obligations of criminal justice professionals.

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. Placement test scores must indicate readiness to begin EN 101-Composition.

Competency in mathematics fundamentals is required. Pre-Algebra or Pre-Statistics is recommended.

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

21 Semester Hours

EN 101	Composition	3
EN 105	Technical Writing	3
HU ELE	Humanities Elective	3
MA ELE	Mathematics Elective	3
SC ELE	Science Elective	3
PS ELE	Political Science Elective	3
PY 101	General Psychology	3

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

40 Semester Hours

CE 101	College Experience	1
CJ 102	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 114	Corrections: Institutional and Community	3
CJ 115	American Policing	3
CJ 204	Criminal Investigation	3
CJ 211	Substantive Criminal Law	3
CJ 212	Procedural Criminal Law	3
CJ 251	Criminal Justice Prof. Dev.	3
CJ ELE	Criminal Justice Elective	3
CI ELE	Computer Information Elective	
	or	
CS ELE	Computer Science Elective	3
GN ELE	General Electives	6
PE 118	Physical Fitness for Law Enforcement	1
SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SO 207	Criminology	
	or	
SO 209	Juvenile Delinquency	3
Minimum Credits		62

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SUGGESTED PROGRAM SEQUENCE

<i>1st Semester</i>			<i>2nd Semester</i>		
CE 101	College Experience	1	CJ 114	Corrections: Institutional and Community	3
CJ 102	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	CJ 115	American Policing	3
EN 101	Composition	3	CS ELE	Computer Science Elective	
HU ELE	Humanities Elective	3		or	
MA ELE	Mathematics Elective	3	CI ELE	Computer Information Elective	3
SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3	PE 118	Physical Fitness for Law Enforcement	1
Total		16	PY 101	General Psychology	3
			SC ELE	Science Elective	3
			Total		16
<i>3rd Semester</i>			<i>4th Semester</i>		
CJ ELE	Criminal Justice Elective*	3	CJ 204	Criminal Investigation	3
CJ 211	Substantive Criminal Law	3	CJ 212	Procedural Criminal Law	3
EN 105	Technical Writing	3	CJ 251	Criminal Justice Prof. Dev.	3
GN ELE	General Elective	3	GN ELE	General Elective	3
SO 207	Criminology		SO 209	Juvenile Delinquency	
	or			or	
PS ELE	Political Science Elective**	3	PS ELE	Political Science Elective**	3
Total		15	Total		15

*CS 126, CS 241, PY 230, SO 207 and SO 209 may be used as Criminal Justice Electives.

**Students must take either SO 207 or SO 209 and a PS Elective.

Career Opportunities: New York State Trooper and other state-level law enforcement positions, county sheriff, city police officer, village and town police officer, correctional officer, detention counselor, pretrial services coordinator, as well as security related positions.