A.S. IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The A.S. Degree in Criminal Justice prepares men and women for a career of public service as a police officer, deputy sheriff, criminal investigator, or supervisor at local, state, and federal levels as well as transfer to a four year college or university. A great need exists for intelligent, well-educated personnel with a commitment toward professional growth in the justice system. The principles of criminal justice are enhanced by the range of courses in the general education pattern.

Learning Outcomes

A.S. Degree Level Student Learning Outcomes

Students completing the Criminal Justice A.S. Degree will:

1. Demonstrate an ability to write clearly and accurately about the administration of justice process using an appropriate vocabulary.
2. Demonstrate critical and analytical thinking about issues in the administration of justice system.
3. Demonstrate a comprehension and appreciation of the connections, contributions, experiences, and potential conflicts of various ethnic groups, races, and genders as they interact with the criminal justice system.
4. Demonstrate an awareness of sciences and emerging technologies as it impacts the administration of justice.

Requirements

Students receiving this degree must meet the following requirements:

1. Complete the District General Education Pattern (http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-option-i/), CSUGE (http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-transfer-csu-csuge-option-ii/) or IGETC (http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-transfer-csu-uc-igetc-option-iii/).
   If transferring to a CSU or UC students are strongly recommended to complete the CSUGE or IGETC General Education Patterns. Students looking to transfer to an out of state or private college should consult with a counselor for the appropriate GE pattern selection.
2. Complete with a "C" or better each course as specified by the major.
3. Maintain an overall GPA of a 2.0 or better in all degree applicable coursework.
4. Meet the local area requirement of Kinesiology/Dance.

Code	Title	Units
Required courses:		
AJ 101	Introduction to the Administration of Justice	3
AJ 102	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
AJ 103	Legal Aspects of Evidence	3
AJ 109	Criminal Court Process	3
AJ 112	Community and the Justice System	3
Select one (1) of the following courses:		
AJ 105	Criminal Investigation	3
AJ 106	Patrol Procedures	3
AJ 108	Juvenile Procedures	3
AJ 111	Narcotics and Vice Control	3
AJ 121	Death Investigation	3
AJ 130	Introduction to Probation and Parole	3
AJ 131	Introduction to Corrections	3
AJ 135	Control and Supervision in Corrections	3
AJ 136	Correctional Interviewing and Counseling	3
AJ 137	Legal Aspects of Corrections	3
AJ 150	Introduction to Forensics	3
Total Units		**18**

Curriculum Map

2-Year Curriculum Map Example

This map represents one possible pathway through the program and is only for reference.

*It is highly recommended that you make an appointment (https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrv/counsel/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx) to create a customized education plan that fits your needs.

Note: Co-requisite MATH course (2 units) and/or substitute ENGL 101E (5 units) may be needed based on placement.

Course	Title	Units
Fall Term 1		
AJ 101	Introduction to the Administration of Justice	3
ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H	Reading and Composition or Reading and Composition - Honors	4
MATH 165 or MATH 165H	Introductory Statistics or Introductory Statistics - Honors	4
COUN 160 or COUN 204	Strategies for College Success or Pathways to Careers in the Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
	Units	**14**
Winter Term 1		
POLI 103 or POLI 103H	American Government and Politics or American Government and Politics - Honors	3
	Units	**3**
Spring Term 1		
AJ 102	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
AJ 103	Legal Aspects of Evidence	3
ENGL 103 or ENGL 103H or ENGL 104 or ENGL 104H	Composition and Critical Thinking or Composition and Critical Thinking - Honors or Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking or Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking - Honors	3
SPCH 100 or SPCH 100H or SPCH 101 or SPCH 101H or SPCH 106	Interpersonal Communication or Interpersonal Communication - Honors or Public Address or Public Address - Honors or Small Group Communication	3
	Units	**12**

Course	Title	Units
Summer Term 1		
ARCH 250	History of Architecture: Prehistory to Mannerism	3
or ARCH 251	or History of Architecture: Baroque to the Present Day	
or ART 100	or Art History - Fundamentals of Global Art History	
or ART 105	or Art History - Topics in Contemporary Art	
or ART 108	or History of Photography	
or ART 110	or Introduction to the Visual Arts	
or ART 199	or Motion Picture Appreciation	
or ART 199H	or Motion Picture Appreciation - Honors	
or DANC 102	or History of Dance	
or MUSE 113	or History of Rock and Roll	
or THEA 101	or Introduction to Theatre Arts	
or THEA 101H	or Introduction to Theatre Arts - Honors	
ETHN 101	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
or ETHN 116	or Introduction to Chicano/Latino Studies	
	Units	**6**
Fall Term 2		
AJ 109	Criminal Court Process	3
AJ 112	Community and the Justice System	3
BIOL 105	General Biology	4
or BIOL 105H	or General Biology - Honors	
KIN 170	Fitness for Life	3
or KIN 171	or Health and Wellness	
or KIN 171H	or Health and Wellness - Honors	
or KIN 173	or Introduction to Nutrition	
	Units	**13**
Winter Term 2		
HIST 107	History of the United States before 1877	3
or HIST 107H	or History of the United States before 1877 - Honors	
or HIST 108	or History of the United States since 1877	
or HIST 108H	or History of the United States since 1877 - Honors	
or HIST 160	or History of Women in the United States	
	Units	**3**
Spring Term 2		
AJ 105	Criminal Investigation	3
ANTH 210	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3
or PSY 101	or Introduction to Psychology	
or SOC 201	or Introduction to Sociology	
ASL 101	American Sign Language I	3
or CHIN 101	or Chinese I	
or ENGL 290	or Ethnic Voices in Film	
or ENGL 293	or Children's Literature	
or ENGL 293H	or Children's Literature - Honors	
or ENGL 298	or Literature of the Bible	
or KIN 166	or American Food And Culture: Global Origins, History,	
or PHIL 101	and Current Impacts	
or SOC 130	or Great Religions of the World	
or SPAN 101	or Introduction to LGBTQ Studies	
or SPAN 101H	or Spanish I	
	or Spanish I - Honors	
ASTR 115	Planetary Astronomy	3
or ASTR 115H	or Planetary Astronomy - Honors	
or ASTR 117	or Life In The Universe	
or ESCI 130	or Physical Oceanography	
or FOR 102	or Introduction to Forest Ecology	
or GEOG 118	or Physical Geography	
or GEOG 130	or Introduction to Weather and Climate	
	Units	**12**
	Total Units	**63**

Career Information

Career Opportunities

There are a variety of careers you can do with this major.

To explore more about this major, schedule an appointment (https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrv/ctcenter/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx) with a career counselor.