

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

Credits: 120

Program Description

This program usher students to academic and professional environments related to the Criminal Justice field. The Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice provides students a detailed view of the field with specific emphasis on the legal, forensic, and academic aspects of the discipline. Students who graduate from this program can pursue professional positions in the public or private sector or pursue a graduate degree in law or in the social sciences. The program is structured to address current topics in the field such as multiculturalism, alternate sentencing methods, rehabilitation processes, and cybercrimes, among others.

Program Outcomes

1. Demonstrate critical thinking, ethical decision making, and an understanding of diversity as it pertains to crime, offenders, victims, and the criminal justice system.
2. Apply criminological theory, research methods, and appropriate technology to assess, evaluate, and address issues in the practice of criminology and criminal justice.
3. Apply critical thinking to analyze and comprehend the cause of crime and the different alternatives to tackle these causes.
4. Demonstrate a critical understanding of diversity and inequality as manifested in the criminal justice system locally, nationally, and globally.
5. Develop a fundamental commitment to ethical analysis, research, and practice and will demonstrate the ability to apply these principles to work within criminology, criminal justice, and related fields.
6. Demonstrate essential qualifications and skills for employment in criminology, criminal justice, and related occupations that include the mastery of core criminology and justice principles and techniques and the ability to think critically and to speak and write effectively within the field.

Program sequence will be available at the time of enrollment.

The language of instruction and program delivery modality are subject to availability.



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QYLE 110 or FYIS 101	Attitude Development and University Adaptation or Induction Seminar to University Life	3	Must be taken in the 1 st term of enrollment
General Education Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
COMP 110		3	
ENGL 151 OR ENGL 115	English Composition I OR English Reading and Writing I	4	
ENGL 251 OR ENGL 116	English Composition II OR English Reading and Writing II	4	ENGL 151 FOR ENGL 251 OR ENGL 115 FOR ENGL 116
COMM 141 OR ENGL 331	Effective Communication OR Public Speaking	4	
HUMA 101	World Cultures I	3	
HUMA 102	World Cultures II	3	HUMA 101
MATH 120	Introduction to Algebra	3	
SCIE 111	Integrated Science I	3	
SOSC 111	Individual, Community, Government, and Social Responsibility I	3	
SOSC 112	Individual, Community, Government, and Social Responsibility II	3	SOSC 111
Pick 1 GE* OR SPAN 115	Pick one (1) Approved General Education Elective OR Reading, Writing, and Oral Communication in Spanish I	4	
Pick 1 GE* OR SPAN 116	Pick one (1) Approved General Education Elective OR Reading, Writing, and Oral Communication in Spanish II	4	SPAN 115 FOR SPAN 116 SPAN 115 FOR SPAN 116
ENGL 341 OR SPAN 255	Research and Writing OR Spanish for Writing and Research	4	ENGL 251 FOR ENGL 341 OR SPAN 116 FOR SPAN 255
TOTAL		45	
Core / Professional Courses			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
CRIM 107	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	SOSC 112
SOSC 258	Research Techniques in Social Sciences	3	
PSYC 350	Psychopathology Principles	3	PSYC 123
SOCI 325-O	Sociology of Deviancy	3	SOCI 203
POSC 373	Political Systems of United States of America	3	
SOCI 203-O	Principles of Sociology / Survey Course	3	SOSC 112
PSYC 123	General Psychology (Compendium)	3	
SOSC 303	Applied Statistics Methods for Social Sciences	3	MATH 120
CRIM 400-O	Human Rights in the Contemporary World	3	SOSC 112
TOTAL		27	
Major Courses			
Theory and Practice			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
CRIM 306	Comparative Criminal Justice System	3	CRIM 107
CRIM 350	The Correctional System	3	CRIM 107
CRIM 427	Therapeutic Jurisprudence and Restorative Justice	3	CRIM 360, CRIM 432, CRIM 301, CRIM 200, SOCI 325, SOCI 203
CRIM 335	Ethical Aspects of Justice	3	CRIM 107
CRIM 405	Multiculturalism and Crime	3	CRIM 200, SOCI 325, SOCI 203
TOTAL		15	
Law Enforcement			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites

CRIM 300-O	General Principles of Penal Law	3	CRIM 107
CRIM 360	Criminal Investigation Techniques	3	CRIM 300, CRIM 302, SOSC 258
CRIM 432	Criminal Technology, Fraud and Cybercrimes	3	CRIM 302
CRIM 301	Special Laws in Criminal Legislation	3	CRIM 300
CRIM 380	Criminalistics	3	CRIM 432
TOTAL		15	
Law			
Course	Title	Credits	Prerequisites
CRIM 200	Constitutional Protections and Civil Rights	3	SOSC 112
CRIM 370	Law of Evidence	3	CRIM 300
CRIM 434	Forensic Psychology in the Criminal Justice System	3	CRIM 370, PSYC 123, SOCI 325, CRIM 415
CRIM 302	Criminal Procedure	3	CRIM 300
CRIM 415-O	Evidence, Case Preparation and Testimony	3	CRIM 370, CRIM 360, CRIM 432
TOTAL		15	
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Approved General Education Electives*		
Course	Title	Credits
SPAN 111	Elementary Spanish	4
REIL 102	Research and Information Literacy	4
BIOL 153	General Biology I	4
BIOL 154	General Biology II	4
COMM 206	Communication Theory	4
COMM 211	Legal and Ethical Aspects of Communications	4
HIDE 101	History of Arts	4
HIDE 111	Representing Culture: Art & Artifact 1500-1850	4
HIST 274	History of the United States of America	4

Notes:

1. Students must comply with state and local requirements or limitations to practice the profession.
2. Graduation GPA: 2.00