

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AS

Program code: CRJS-AS

Location: Asnuntuck, Capital, Gateway, Housatonic, Manchester, Middlesex, Naugatuck Valley, Northwestern, Norwalk, Three Rivers, Tunxis

Program Description

This program is for students who are interested in a career in law enforcement, corrections, security, or the court and legal system. The Associates in Science degree will allow a student to pursue a career immediately upon completion or to transfer to a four-year institution. The program offers a general track in criminal justice or students can choose one from among the eight areas of concentration. Links to these program descriptions can be found on the Related Programs tab.

Criminal Justice Program Goals

- Complete an Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice.
- Acquire the skills necessary to secure employment within field of criminal justice.
- Transfer into a Bachelor Degree Program.

Criminal Justice Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the roles of police, courts and corrections and explain the functions they serve within the criminal justice system and the community.
2. Apply principles of constitutional and criminal laws that protect the rights of and regulates conduct of a culturally diverse society.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of theories, principles, processes of the criminal justice system.
4. Prepare written documents and deliver oral presentations related to the criminal justice field.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Criminal Justice General Education Core		
ENG 1010	Composition	3
MATH 1000 or higher ¹		3-4
Elective ARHX - Arts & Humanities Course		3-4
Elective SCRX - Scientific Reasoning Course or Elective SCKX - Scientific Knowledge Course ²		3-4
PSY 1011	General Psychology I	3
Elective ORAX - Oral Communication Course		3
CCS 1001	College and Career Success	3
Criminal Justice Additional General Education		
Choose one of the following:		3
Elective WRIX - Written Communication II Course		
CJS 2570	Writing and Research in Criminal Justice	
SOC 1001	Principles of Sociology	3
Criminal Justice Program Core		
CJS 1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJS 2110	Criminal Law I	3
CJS 2130	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	3
CJS 2010/SOC 2040	Criminology	3

CJS 2095 or CJS 2880	Practicum in Criminal Justice Careers in Criminal Justice	3
Choose one of the following:		3
CJS 2450	Diversity and Multiculturalism in Criminal Justice	
CJS 2470	Fair and Impartial Policing	
CJS 2550	Ethical Issue in Criminal Justice	
CJS 2940	Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice	
POLS 1002 or POLS 1003	American Government State and Local Government	3
Courses taken as part of the Criminal Justice core may not be used to satisfy the concentration electives.		
CJ Electives for General Degree		
CJS Elective - 4 CJS courses (courses are specific if an option is chosen)		12
Total Credits		60-63

¹ MATH 1100 Quantitative Reasoning or MATH 1200 Statistics I recommended

² Recommended Science: CJS 2260 Introduction to Forensic Science or CJS 2850 Forensic Science with Laboratory

Students may earn only one Associate degree in this parent discipline.

- Criminal Justice: Computer Crime Investigations, AS
- Criminal Justice: Corrections, AS
- Criminal Justice: Criminal Investigations, AS
- Criminal Justice: Homeland Security Certificate
- Criminal Justice: Homeland Security, AS
- Criminal Justice: Juvenile Justice, AS
- Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement, AS
- Criminal Justice: Law and Legal, AS
- Criminal Justice: Victimology, AS

Related CSCU Transfer Ticket Program

- Criminology Studies - CSCU Transfer Degree, AA